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DEFENCE MINISTRY APPROVES PURCHASES FOR ₹2.23 LAKH CRORE

The Defence Acquisition Council on Thursday approved purchase of equipment worth ₹2.23 lakh crore to enhance combat capabilities of the forces

97 TEJAS, 156 HELICOPTERS TO BE ACQUIRED

The meeting chaired by defence minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday approved the purchase of 97 Tejas light combat aircraft, 156 Prachand combat helicopters, medium range anti-ship missiles for the Navy and upgrading 84 Su-30 fighter jets for the Air Force. With the additional fleet, the number of indigenously-developed Tejas procured would go up to 180

INDIA WANTS TO BOOST LOCAL PRODUCTION

- The helicopter possesses modern stealth characteristics, robust armour protection and formidable night attack capability. It is fully capable of operating in Siachen as well | **P9**
- The defence ministry said 98% of the total procurement will be sourced from domestic industries to boost *atmanirbharta*

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WARSHIPS INDIA PLANS TO HAVE BY 2035

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'Told you', says Trudeau after US indicts Indian

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

A day after the indictment of an Indian national in an alleged assassination attempt on Sikh extremist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun in the US, Canadian PM Justin Trudeau said his allegations about India's role in the killing of Khalistani terrorist in Canada should be taken seriously. "The news coming out of the US underscores what we have been talking about from the very beginning," Trudeau said in Ottawa on Thursday.

Trudeau's remarks came after the US Justice Department indicted one Nikhil Gupta for allegedly paying a US under-cover agent posing as a hitman to kill Pannun, who has US citizenship. It alleged that Gupta, who is said to be involved in international narcotics and weapons trafficking, was acting on the instruction of an unnamed Indian government official. Following the US action, India constituted a probe team.

Pannun is a wanted criminal with 22 cases against him in Punjab alone, while India had designated Nijjar as a terrorist in 2020.

Meanwhile, Canada's foreign minister Melanie Joly demanded that New Delhi take back the 41 Canadian diplomats who were removed from India.

On its part, the Ministry of External Affairs said Canada is hosting anti-India extremists.

DOWNPOUR DANGER

Passersby help a woman to her feet after she fell off her scooter on a flooded road in T Nagar, Chennai, on Thursday. Overnight rain inundated several areas in the Tamil Nadu capital | P RAVIKUMAR | P5

No response from Centre, will give farmers ₹2k: CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

WITH no fund coming from the Centre, the State Government has decided to provide Rs 2,000 each to farmers affected by drought in various districts.

Disclosing this to reporters here on Thursday, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said this will be the first instalment of drought relief to farmers. "There is no sign of the Centre releasing funds and we can't wait anymore," he said.

Despite writing several letters and ministers from the State meeting some Union ministers, no step has been taken to release funds to tackle drought. "We haven't received any positive response from the Union Government so far," Siddaramaiah said.

He said the State had sought 150 mandays under MNREGA, but the Union Government has not given permission to it. The State has declared 223 taluks as drought-hit. Crops grown on 48.19 lakh hectares of land have been destroyed due to drought.

The State had sought Rs 18,000 crore as drought relief from the Union Government, the chief minister said.

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BJP could retain MP, has edge in Rajasthan, predict exit polls

ADVANTAGE CONG IN TELANGANA, C'GARH

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

EXIT polls on Thursday threw up a mixed bag with some projecting an edge to the Congress in Chhattisgarh while giving the BJP the advantage in Madhya Pradesh. But there was unanimity on the Congress wresting Telangana. While the pollsters predicted a close BJP-Congress fight in Rajasthan, Mizoram is likely to see a hung House with the Zoram People's Movement (ZPM) locked in a close race with the ruling Mizo National Front (MNF).

Elections to the five states took place between November 7-November 30 and the counting of votes would take place on December 3. The results are crucial for the BJP and the Congress as they will set the tone for the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

Most exit polls gave the Congress a clear edge in Chhattisgarh, indicating that the ruling Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress is poised to retain power. However, the BJP, according to pollsters, put up a good fight unlike in the 2018 polls. The poll of polls gave the Congress 49 and the BJP 38 in the 90-member House.

Telangana saw a three-way fight, but most pollsters gave a clear edge to the Congress to form the next government. While India TV-CNX predicted 63-79 seats for the Congress, 31-47 for the BRS, 2-4 for the BJP, and 5-7 for the AIMIM, Jan Ki Baat forecast that the Congress would get 48-64 seats. The poll of polls gave the Congress 62 and the BRS 44 in the 119-member Telangana assembly.

While the Congress was expecting a comeback in Madhya Pradesh, most pollsters were unanimous on giving a clear edge to the incumbent Shivraj Singh Chouhan-led BJP government in the state. The poll of polls gave the BJP 123 seats and the Congress 102 in the 230-member assembly.

Rajasthan will also see a close fight between the ruling Congress and the BJP, according to the exit polls. While the state has a three-decade tradition of not repeating an incumbent government, at least two pollsters showed that the Congress was nosing ahead to retain power.

According to India Today-Axis My India poll, the Congress is slated to get 86-106 seats with 42% votes and BJP 80-100 seats with 41% votes. Others are projected to get 9-18 seats, indicating that small parties could play a significant role in the formation of the next government. The poll of polls gave the BJP 104 and the Congress 95 in the 199-member House.

In Mizoram, India TV-CNX said the MNF would get 14-18 seats, ZPM 12-16, Congress 8-10 and BJP 0-2. The poll of polls gave the MNF 16 and the ZPM 15 in the 40-member assembly.

RAJASTHAN (SEATS 199, MAJORITY 100)

SOURCE	BJP	CONG+	BSP	OTH
ABP News-C Voter	94-114	71-91	0	9-19
Dainik Bhaskar	98-105	85-95	0	10-15
India Today- Axis My India	80-100	86-106	1-2	8-16
India TV- CNX	80-90	94-104	0	14-18
Jan Ki Baat	100-122	62-85	0	14-15
News 24-Today's Chanakya	77-101	89-113	0	2-16
P-MARQ	105-125	69-91	0	5-15
Republic TV- Matrize	115-130	65-75	0	12-19
Times Now-ETG	108-128	56-72	0	13-21
TV 9 Bharatvarsh- Polstrat	100-110	90-100	0	05-15
Poll of polls	**104**	**95**	**1**	**13**

MADHYA PRADESH (SEATS 230, MAJORITY 116)

SOURCE	BJP	CONG	BSP+	OTH
ABP News-C Voter	88-112	113-137	0	2-8
Dainik Bhaskar	95-115	105-120	0	0-15
India Today- Axis My India	140-162	68-90	0-2	0-1
India TV- CNX	140-159	70-89	0	0-2
Jan Ki Baat	100-123	102-125	0	5
News 24-Today's Chanakya	139-163	62-86	0	1-9
Republic TV- Matrize	118-130	97-107	0	0-2
Times Now-ETG	105-117	109-125	0	1-5
TV 9 Bharatvarsh- Polstrat	106-116	111-121	0	0-6
Poll of polls	**123**	**102**	**1**	**3**

CHHATTISGARH (SEATS 90, MAJORITY 46)

SOURCE	BJP	CONG+	BSP+	OTH
ABP News-C Voter	36-48	41-53	0	0-4
Dainik Bhaskar	35-45	46-55	0	0-10
India Today- Axis My India	36-46	40-50	0	1-5
India TV- CNX	30-40	46-56	0	3-5
Jan Ki Baat	34-45	42-53	0	3
News 24-Today's Chanakya	25-41	49-65	0	0-3
Republic TV- Matrize	34-42	44-52	0	00-02
Times Now-ETG	32-40	48-56	0	2-4
TV 9 Bharatvarsh- Polstrat	35-45	40-50	0	0-3
Poll of polls	**38**	**49**	**0**	**3**

TELANGANA (SEATS 119, MAJORITY 60)

SOURCE	BRS	CONG+	BJP+	AIMIM
ABP News-C Voter	38-54	49-65	5-13	5-9
India TV- CNX	31-47	63-79	2-4	5-7
Jan Ki Baat	40-55	48-64	7-13	4-7
News 24-Today's Chanakya	24-42	62-80	2-12	0
Republic TV- Matrize	46-56	58-68	4-9	5-7
Times Now-ETG	37-45	60-70	6-8	5-7
TV 9 Bharatvarsh- Polstrat	48-58	49-59	5-10	6-8
Poll of polls	**44**	**62**	**7**	**6**

MIZORAM (SEATS 40, MAJORITY 21)

SOURCE	MNF	ZPM	CONG	BJP
ABP News-C Voter	15-21	12-18	2-8	0
India TV- CNX	14-18	12-16	8-10	0-2
Jan Ki Baat	10-14	15-25	5-9	0-2
Times Now-ETG	14-18	10-14	9-13	0-2
Poll of polls	**16**	**15**	**8**	**1**

GDP growth tops forecasts, expands 7.6% in 2nd quarter

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

INDIA'S economic performance in the second quarter of 2023-24 beat expectations by registering a 7.6% growth on account of robust expansion of the manufacturing sector and higher government spending ahead of elections.

The growth compares to 6.2% per cent in the second quarter last year and 7.8% in the first quarter of FY24. The second quarter numbers came in as a surprise as most analysts were expecting it to be below 7%.

Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran said the economy would achieve a 6.5% growth as forecast by the Reserve Bank of India in the current fiscal year. He emphasised that India is underestimating its GDP growth potential, citing the robust tax buoyancy and nominal GDP growth rate as supporting evidence for a higher growth trajectory.

"We will keep the GDP growth estimate at 6.5% but we are more comfortable than before. We need to calculate the impact of second-quarter numbers on full financial year. The momentum of economic growth will continue in the third quarter as well," he said.

The strong expansion was led by the manufacturing sector (13.9% growth in Q2 compared to 4.7% in the previous quarter), the construction sector (13.3% compared to 7.9%), and electricity and other public utilities (10.1% vs 2.9%). The mining industry grew at 10% in the second quarter, up from 5.8% in the previous quarter.

On the other hand, agriculture witnessed a growth of 1.2%, a slight decline from the 3.5% growth reported in Q1.

Analysts warn that the GDP growth may slow down in the second half of the fiscal.

EXPRESS READ

India, China agree to hold talks at the earliest

New Delhi: India and China on Thursday held diplomatic talks on proposals to resolve remaining issues and achieve complete disengagement in eastern Ladakh, but there were no sign of any major breakthrough. The MEA said both sides decided to hold the next round of senior commanders' meeting at the earliest to achieve the "objective".

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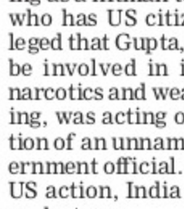
Kissinger, the man who mercilessly saw tomorrow



PRAMIT PAL CHAUDHURI

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"HELLO, my name is Henry." I met Henry Kissinger a half-dozen times over nearly as many decades and he introduced himself in the same way each time. Kissinger took India seriously, regularly visited the country and met Indian delegations who visited the US. Yes, this was partly because of his consultancy Kissinger Associates. The real source of his India interest, however, was that this was a large country and, in his world vision, large countries mattered.

Kissinger believed that global stability was derived from thrashing out agreements between great powers that satisfied their most naked interests and reconciled their power differentials. Amorphous concepts like equity or morality were impossible to reconcile among nations and were best banished from the tables of diplomacy. He wasn't wrong. But it is hard for a megaphone-armed activist to understand how much the social stability that allows him to burn effigies was dependent on a Kissinger clones working to maintain the balance of power.

In practice, this meant Kissinger sacrificed East Bengalis on the path to US-China rapprochement, bombed Cambodia into the age of Pol Pot, wined and dined more dictators and tinpot types than most people can name. His argued that doing the dirty ultimately secured a larger world order and global peace. An admirer of Kautilya, he wrote of him and the *Arthashastra*, "He describes a collection of states…in permanent conflict with each other…his is an analysis of the world as he found it; it offers a practical, not a normative, guide to action." Which echoes what Kissinger believed he did most of his life.

During his twilight years, Kissinger poured his energies into preventing a US-China conflict. As he said to a small group of us, "The US believing China is determined to drive it from the Western Pacific or China believing the US is determined to contain it. If either one of these propositions becomes policy, conflict is inevitable."

Yet, he was a former US national security advisor and secretary of state, and preserving the interests of his homeland was front and centre. Which is one reason he became a strenuous supporter of the burgeoning Indo-US strategic relationship. "India will be the fulcrum of 21st century order: an indispensable element," he wrote. In private, he was fulsome about the importance of India and the US and helping preserve the balance of power against China. One was always struck how Kissinger was upheld by diplomats, politicians and businessmen from nearly every country as a genuine statesman, a person who could connect the dots and make them into bridges.

A Jewish refugee from Nazi Germany, he understood the link between domestic politics and international relations. In 2015, Kissinger was invited to speak to the National Security Advisory Board. Asked what he saw as the fundamental question regarding India's future, he said, "Like all countries that undergo urbanisation, India's rural value structure is being eroded. The nature of the new value system that your country constructs is the most critical question for your future."

MBBS grad dies of 'snake bite' hrs after convocation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tumakuru

NEGLECTING a suspected snake bite proved fatal for an MBBS graduate here on Wednesday night. He died before he could get treatment.

The deceased, Adith Balakrishnan, hailed from Thrissur in Kerala. He received his MBBS degree certificate earlier in the day from Thiruvananthapuram MP Shashi Tharoor at the 12th convocation ceremony of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education (SSAHE).

Adith, his mother Latha Balakrishnan and their relative returned to his rented accommodation at Heggere village after the ceremony. While parking his car at night, a snake is said have bitten him. He, however, did not realise it. After reaching his third floor accommodation, Adith went to the toilet and latched the door from inside. When he did not come out of the toilet even after an hour, his mother alerted his neighbours. When they broke open the toilet door, Adith was found lying on the floor with a head injury. Though he was rushed to hospital immediately, he was declared brought dead. The body has been shifted to the mortuary after postmortem.

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Singapore model mooted to ease traffic in B'luru

'Tunnel roads, underpasses, road widening will encourage pvt transport'

AKNISREE KARTHIK @ Bengaluru

BANGALORE Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) MD Anjum Parvez has said that it would be better for Bengaluru if it follows the Singapore model, where it is mandatory for car owners to buy a separate licence that costs more than the vehicle. He was sharing his views at a session on 'The CASE (Connected, Automated, Shared & Electric) for Future Mobility' at 'Bengaluru Tech Summit' on Thursday.

"Before an individual buys a car in Singapore, he/she must get permission for it. After that, the owner has to get a licence that costs more than the car price," Parvez said, answering a question on the immediate measure to reduce congestion in the city. Parvez also batted for levying congestion charges in the city, where an individual, who wishes to enter an area in the CBD with high traffic, has to pay for it. Chairman and anaging Director of Purple Mobility Solutions Prasanna Patwardhan supported imposition of congestion charges in Bengaluru and said, "Building tunnel roads and underpasses, widening of roads and providing free parking facilities will only encourage private transport. Congestion charges must be levied," he said.

Uber cars promoting sustainability on display at the Bengaluru Tech Summit 2023, on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR.T

ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT TO BE MAJOR STARTING POINT

Director of Beta Technologies Blake Opsahi said through electric aircraft the operating costs can be brought down significantly. "India has more than 200 airports and has an excellent aviation infrastructure. The cost of flying a passenger from the city to the airport, which is around Rs 4,000, can be halved if electric aircraft are used. Electric aircraft will be a major starting point in the sectors of cargo, logistics, medical and defence," he said, adding that India can attain massive economic growth through air connectivity.

COMMON MOBILITY CARD

Through a common mobility card, people can use Metro, bus and cab services, said BMRCL MD Anjum Parvez. "It is a dream project of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Commuters can make use of the common mobility card to travel seamlessly. It will be operational soon," he added.

UBER TO RUN BUSES

Soon, you may be able to travel by Uber buses in Bengaluru. The taxi aggregator is aiming at introducing Uber bus service to reduce traffic congestion, said Sanjay Chadha, Director, Public Policy and Government Relations, Uber India and South Asia. He said a bus is being run on a pilot basis in Delhi.

HIGHLIGHTS

Smart incinerator to burn non-recyclable wastes

Neo-X, a smart incinerator developed by Bengaluru-based Neo San, a clean technology company was one of the main attractions at the Bengaluru Tech Summit. The incinerator reaches a temperature of 1,200 degrees in two minutes and burns non-recyclable wastes like diapers, sanitary napkins and other wastes into ash and can be used in houses, schools, tech parks, offices, hotels and hospitals.

Robot to deliver coffee at Hatti Kaapi

Hatti Kaapi, a Bengaluru-based coffee brand, will soon introduce a coffee-serving robot developed by the students of PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, under the guidance of Mukunda Bharatesh. The branch will be run by visually impaired and physically challenged staff. A visually impaired staff will take the order via a Braille-enabled keyboard, and the order will be communicated to physically challenged baristas, who will place the orders on the robot, which will deliver it to the designated tables.

The newly launched ambulances outside the Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CM FLAGS OFF 262 '108' AMBULANCES

ENS @ Bengaluru

IN a bid to improve the service of '108' ambulances in Karnataka, which have often been criticised for poor quality, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah flagged off 262 new ambulances in Bengaluru on Thursday.

Comparing smaller government-run healthcare centres to Jayadeva Hospital, the CM said if Jayadeva can set high quality standards, other hospitals should also provide such facilities to citizens.

Ambulances play a crucial role in saving lives. Currently, four ambulances operate in each taluk and the state needs over 840 ambulances to expand services. He added that thousands of people are seen availing private diagnostic services, despite the high costs, and advised the health minister to focus more on improving healthcare facilities in North Karnataka.

Another aspect of the alleged nexus between ambulance drivers and private hospitals was also pointed out by Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar. "The ambulance drivers have an underhand pact with private hospitals and they take all accident patients to private hospitals instead of government hospitals," he charged. Patients could have received treatment in a government set-up at a much lower cost, but they end up paying lakhs instead.

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao added that a technical advisory committee has already been formed in this regard. Also, a team of senior officers of the department has been sent to study good models in other states.

Play on 'Birdman of India' at IISc today

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, will stage Salim Ali, a Kannada play on the life of 'Birdman of India', on Friday.

The play will be staged by Arivu Ranga, Mysuru, and the Office of Communication and Rangamanch, IISc.

Dr Manohar MC, who has written the play, told TNIE that plays on Dr Salim Ali have been staged in Mysuru and Dharwad. The 1.40-hour play on Dr Ali's life is being staged for the first time at IISc. This is the third theatre performance this year at IISc. Earlier, plays on the achievements of Richard Fynman and Subramanyam Chandrashekhar, noted theoretical physicists, were staged.

He said the play has details of Dr Ali's achievements, struggles, family life, and the controversies surrounding him over receiving US funding to do research on migratory birds. The play also has details of Dr Ali's meeting with Jawaharlal Nehru in the jail and presentation of his book to Indira Gandhi.

B'luru a global IT hub: German envoy

ENS @Bengaluru

IN the face of evolving threats, it is crucial for nations to develop resilient national security strategies, said German Ambassador to India Dr Philipp Ackermann.

Speaking at the Synergia Foundation in the city, the diplomat underscored Bengaluru's vital role as one of the world's most significant IT and tech hubs, and boasting of an extensive German presence across big and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). He spoke about a 'Science Centre' which is scheduled to open in January next year and will serve as a dynamic nexus between science and academia.

The ambassador spoke about the emerging complex international landscape following the Ukraine war and growing influence of China in geopolitics. He drew attention to climate change and the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP 28 in Dubai, and stressed the need for urgent action to limit global warming.

Dr Ackermann highlighted the promising German-Indian Green and Sustainable Development Partnership (GSDP), citing the Bengaluru Metro as a successful example of the bilateral collaboration.

Regarding the Indo-German strategic partnership, he said Germany sincerely desires India to reconsider its ties with Russia and actively enhance its military presence in the Indo-Pacific region, where his country is keen on deepening its military collaboration with India. He lauded India's leadership role in emerging markets while suggesting that the country has the potential to surpass China if the "strategic cards are played effectively."

35 UNIQUE TECH PRODUCTS, SOLUTIONS DEVELOPED BY STARTUPS UNVEILED

The Department of Electronics, IT, BT, and ST has unveiled 35 ground-breaking products and solutions developed by startups during the 26th edition of the Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS) 2023. The array of innovative solutions included electronic devices integrating Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT), advancements in automotive manufacturing, innovations in footwear and accessories, technologies in avionics and defence, effluent air treatment solutions, apps to prevent fraudulent transactions, fabric authentication tools, Animations & Comics, and Deep Tech-based platforms for quality assessment. Most of the startups have been supported by the Karnataka government. Of the 35 startups, 9 are women-led, underlining the inclusive and diverse nature of Karnataka's startup ecosystem. Some of the innovations are helmet which prevents hair fall, an eco-friendly device that can attract and kill mosquitoes, and an oxygen generator that can remove pure oxygen from water for medical use.

'30% of applications for top startups from Beyond B'luru'

PURAN CHOUDHARY @ Bengaluru

THE ELEVATE programme that identifies top innovative startups in Karnataka received around 30% applications from beyond Bengaluru and other developing clusters in the state this year, said Sanjeev Gupta, CEO of Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM).

He added that Beyond Bengaluru is not just about promoting startups from clusters, but also encouraging diversity. "We had around 30-35% of women entrepreneurs participating in ELEVATE this year," Gupta said.

He was speaking on the sidelines of the BTS on Thursday along with Madan Padaki, President, TiE in the city. The initiative also aims to take venture capitalists to emerging clusters outside the IT capital and promote them. At this year's summit, 24 startups were enabled to showcase their creation and innovation.

The 'Karnataka Accelerator Network' has also been initiated. "Generally, startups rush to Bengaluru when they want to scale. Therefore, a mentorship programme will be organised to have an accelerator in Bengaluru, one in each of the clusters, to provide mentorship to the startups. Gradually, startups in clusters will be built and the number of entrepreneurs will also go up," said Gupta.

'Tech-enabled India will escape middle-income trap'

NAMRATA SINDWANI @ Bengaluru

OF the 101 middle income economies in the 1960, only 13 managed to become high-income by 2008 due to 'middle-income trap', said Dr Rajesh Gokhale, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, and added that the country can escape this trap by investing in technology.

While addressing a conference at the Bengaluru Tech Summit, he said biology will drive the next technology revolution in India, making the country a global leader. India is projected to be a USD 300 billion biotechnology sector with a 17% growth by 2030. Biopharmaceuticals, bioindustry, bioagriculture, bioIT and bio services are the key segments of this sector.

He informed that the government is aiming to create a catalog of genetic variations in Indians and a reference haplotype (a group of genomic variants) by carrying out whole genomic sequencing of 10,000 samples from over 100 communities. Besides developing genome based precision medicine in India, they aim to make the data available for public access for research purposes.

The principal secretary also highlighted the issues of textile waste and the global rice crisis adding to the carbon emissions.

EXPRESS READ

National Cultural Jatha to highlight inclusiveness in Bengaluru

Bengaluru: Indian People's Theatre Association (IPTA), Samudaya Bengaluru, and Ragi Kana are jointly launching "Journey of Love & Coexistence", a national cultural jatha in the state. The Cultural Jatha covering Bengaluru and Dakshina Kannada in Karnataka will start on December 1 and conclude on December 7 in Manjeshwar, Kasaragod. During this period, visits will be made to places of renowned personalities, litterateurs, freedom fighters, artists, social thinkers and reformers, and centres of communal harmony, to study their importance and relevance, read a release. Several cultural events will be staged and a campaign of selling "gamcha" khadi hand towels, an integral part of workers, will also be organised during the jatha. Khadi hand towel is a metaphor for the poor toiling masses who use it for multiple purposes. Many theatre activists, literary persons, leaders of the working class movement, and woman activists are expected to join the jatha. Prasanna, noted theatre director and IPTA President, said the idea is to respect inclusiveness and visit places of inclusive culture to show the world that this is what India is. The national level jatha will end in New Delhi on January 30, 2024, he said. **ENS**

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

01st December: The Moon heralds a sensitive day. Is this a good thing? Well, I'm not quite sure! It's fine if we are all aware of other people's feelings and concerned not to cause upset. But it's not so good if we are all so touchy that we ourselves take offence when none is intended.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
The general disposition is excitable and not inclined to compromise. You may be so determined to enjoy yourself that you fail to see that other people's feelings, hopes and desires must be respected. Yet, you'd gain nothing by alienating somebody close.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
All that I have said about major improvements at home, or sweeping family changes, reaches a peak today, continuing over the next three or four days. Therefore, press ahead with whatever is both desirable and necessary on the personal front, and get as far as you can.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
There is still time to make important purchases, though the chance to buy something unusual, interesting or mysterious may have passed. Your insights may be deep, but you are not as good as you sometimes are at explaining yourself, so try harder! Much harder!

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You still seem to be in control emotionally, but one weakness could be a tendency towards excessive extravagance. In other words, you could find yourself shovelling your hard-earned money into a vast black hole! That would never do. In fact, it would be a crying shame!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
One of the most important aspects in your chart encourages you to take up the sword on behalf of a favourite cause. It does you credit to stick up for the under-dog, but it goes without saying that you must be absolutely sure of your ground.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You may wish to devote more time to social purposes. It will be especially pleasing if your circle of friends takes on the air of one vast, happy family. Emotional links with certain friends could be more important than those with family members, especially when your emotional future is being shaped.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
This week's stars are giving you the green light to move on and pass into the next stage of your life. What seems to be particularly important is a sense of morality, of what is right and proper. If you get your way at any cost then you'll probably regret it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Loved ones and close associates can only admire your courage, strength and integrity. Your ethical standards do seem to be higher than most people's. Do yourself a favour and get in touch with family members overseas, or mend fences with a relation with whom you fell out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Although you tend to be extremely forthright, tactless some would say, you need to be very diplomatic where money is concerned. Your grasp of monetary matters is weaker than you might imagine, and what looks like an unmissable opportunity might be completely the opposite.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Lunar alignments are soft and sensitive, yet firm and practical, and common sense and co-operation hold the key to a successful day. Current trends find you putting a great deal more energy into raising your income, almost certainly with the desired results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Try not to alienate colleagues or close associates by being over-cautious. Today, it's probably best to get on with your own work and not worry unduly about other people's little complaints and quibbles. Offer them help if it's appropriate - but don't waste your time on futile enterprises.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
The current weight of your planets inclines you very much towards private affairs and purely personal goals, which suits your basic character. You may find time to enjoy yourself amidst all your obligations and duties. In fact, other people may learn from your optimistic attitude.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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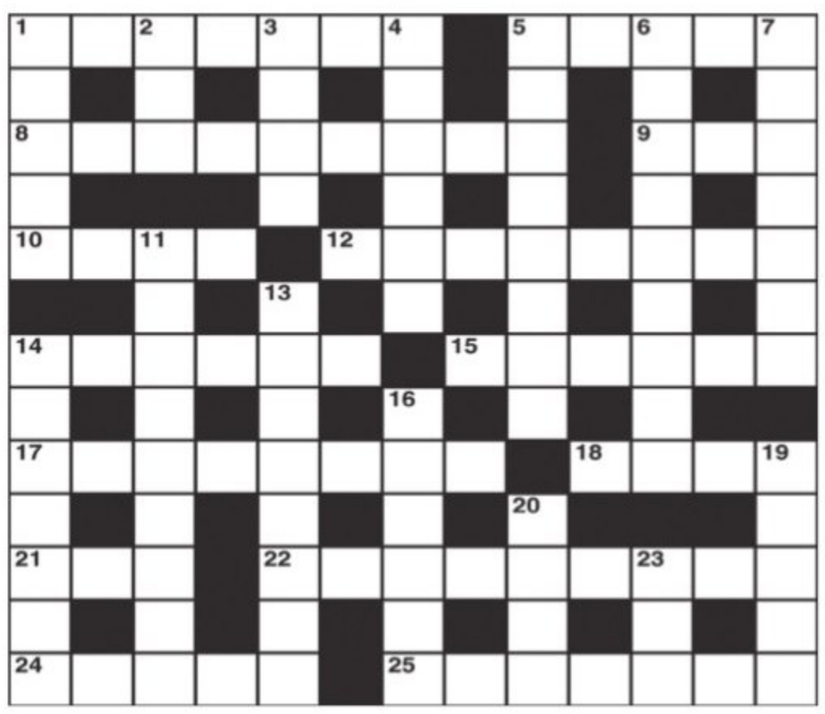
SUDOKU EASY

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Accustomed to nut and date assortment (7)
5 He broke all the commandments (5)
8 Signal to bring in a social worker (9)
9 Time to mature (3)
10 Made to last (4)
12 Start playing up after industrial action (6,2)
14 Moderation seen when lacking a fashion allowance (6)
15 Exchange of charity? (6)
17 Mother has to reflect about a perfume holder (8)
18 Sign to return for Verne's captain (4)
21 I say nothing (3)
22 Recovering; need month off (2,3,4)
24 Little in the way of a final course (5)
25 He has a cockeyed view of early rising (7)

DOWN
1 Celia turned out to be a young Victorian heroine (5)
2 Useful advice in an extremity (3)
3 One Roman abandoned a sultanate to be emperor (4)
4 Shortage put right in the end (6)
5 Lacking a real foundation? (8)
6 Dramatic alias (5,4)
7 Coach or supporter (7)
11 Off the cuff so to speak (9)
13 Indicate that the score is not quite accurate (5,3)
14 Exercise restraint about newspapers (7)
16 He needs to settle (6)
19 A disposition to command (5)
20 Block vote? (4)
23 Have a slice of cake at teatime (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Sedative, 5 Carp, 9 Cheek, 10 Terrier, 11 Battle of wits, 13 Endued, 14 Stable, 17 Free of charge, 20 Offence, 21 Genus, 22 Tend, 23 Standard.

Down: 1 Sack, 2 Diehard, 3 Take the count, 4 Vetoes, 6 Alibi, 7 Perished, 8 Profit margin, 12 Seafront, 15 Begonia, 16 Accept, 18 Elfin, 19 Used.

JUMBLE UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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I object!
I'm sorry, Your Honor.
I'll hold you in contempt!
10/4
AFTER THE SKUNK ON TRIAL GOT NERVOUS, THERE WAS ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: MIGHT WORLD SICKEN SPRAWL
Answer: The moonshiner's equipment was old, but it was — STILL WORKING

A case regarding a fraudulent Facebook account operating under the identity of former police commissioner Jyoti Prakash Mirji has been registered in the Cyber Crime police station. The account had a picture of the senior officer and was used by the perpetrator to send messages soliciting money transfers

TODDLER'S FAMILY CONTINUE STIR AT NIMHANS

Hospital claims prognosis was poor, and treatment was started immediately

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

FOLLOWING the death of a one-and-a-half year old boy due to an alleged delay in treatment at Nimhans, protests by the boy's family members and ambulance drivers continued for the second day at the hospital on Thursday.

The protest went on till evening, as the parents were made to wait for more than 24 hours to receive the child's body, after an autopsy. As they continued their protest with the body, demanding action against the hospital authorities and compensation, police intervened and allegedly forced them to take Ajay's body, saying protests are allowed only at Freedom Park.

The grieving family said the baby could have been saved if he was admitted on time. Family members and ambulance drivers, protesting outside the emergency ward, alleged that the medical staff did not know Kannada and were proficient only in Hindi and English, because of which the family couldn't communicate about the severity of Ajay's situation. The protesters demanded Rs 1 crore compensation for Ajay's parents, and that a minister and local MLA must visit and address their concerns.

Deceased toddler Ajay's family members and ambulance drivers protest at NIMHANS on Thursday | EXPRESS

Siddapura police urged the family to call off the protest, citing inconvenience for other patients and vehicles. However, family members clarified that they weren't protesting but only speaking against the negligence of Nimhans. They also asked police to register a suo motu case against Nimhans, but police suggested they submit a memorandum to Karnataka Medical Council (KMC), explaining their limitations.

The protesters alleged that doctors at Nimhans don't treat patients who come from outside the city, and refer the patients to other hospitals. Often, they don't even allow the ambulance to enter the hospital premises, a protester alleged.

In a clarification, Nimhans authorities stated that they did not receive prior communication from Hassan Institute of Medical Sciences (HIMS), nor did police inform them about the boy being transported via green corridor. They said the ambulance driver's colleague had informed them only an hour prior to arrival.

Refuting claims of delaying treatment by 90 minutes, the institute stated that the family waited for 10 minutes and necessary procedures were started. A CT brain scan was done, which showed bilateral diffuse cerebral infarct, and multiple cranial fracture lines, and HRCT chest showed bilateral aspiration changes. The family was informed about the poor prognosis based on clinical and radiological findings, and that the patient was unlikely to improve with treatment, along with unavailability of a ventilator bed, an official release stated. Meanwhile, CM Siddaramaiah said he will take up the matter with the Nimhans director.

Train coaches derail, psgrs rescued in mock drill

The Bengaluru Railway Division, along with the 10th Battallion of the National Disaster Response Force, Guntur, take part in a mock drill – rehearsing the response for a scenario where two train coaches, with passengers trapped inside, derail – at the yard at Nelamangala Railway Station on Thursday. A siren was sounded at 11 am and an accident message relayed to the NDRF, following which the team rushed in and carried out vertical drilling from the top of the coach and rescued the 15 passengers.

BOOST TO IDEAS

Rural innovators' summit on lines of tech summit on the anvil

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MINISTER for Minor Irrigation and Science & Technology NS Bose Raju on Thursday said the government is working on a policy aimed at supporting rural innovators, as well as conducting a rural innovators' summit on the lines of the Bengaluru Tech Summit. This will help provide resources, knowledge and guidance to rural innovators to transform initial ideas into products.

Speaking to the media on the sidelines of the inauguration of the Sixth Science Exhibition Season "Carbon" at the Bangalore Science Gallery in Hebbal, he said the government is also thinking of setting up a state-of-the-art science city in Bengaluru, which will present science and technology in an engaging environment, based on experiments.

The minister added that as a first step of the government's objective of science for all, the latter is providing telescopes to all schools. The government's goal is to help cultivate the spirit of scientific temper and make programmes and policies accessible to all under the theme - 'Ease of Understanding Science' and 'Science for All'.

There were over 35 interactive exhibits at the event, showcasing the diverse facets of carbon, starting from the natural form in the atmosphere. The exhibits explored the various forms and roles of carbon, ranging from coal mining and carbon credits, to Sir CV Raman's groundbreaking research on diamonds and carbon's involvement in the origin of life.

EXPRESS READ

Canara Bank raises ₹5k cr in Long Term Infra Bonds

Bengaluru: Canara Bank, in its issuance of Long Term Infrastructure Bonds, has raised Rs 5,000 crore, at a coupon rate of 7.68% per annum. The issue received overwhelming response from investors, with bids for more than Rs 12,450 crore, against a base issue size of ₹1,000 crore and green shoe option of ₹4,000 crore.

BMS College for Women Graduation Day today

Bengaluru: BMS College for Women will hold its Graduation Day, 'Abhinandane', at its premises on Friday at 11 am. Dr S Ahalya, Vice Chancellor, Karnataka Samskrit University, Bengaluru will be the chief guest of the ceremony.

Bank of Baroda holds 'Baroda Kisan Pakhwada'

Bengaluru: The Bank of Baroda held the 6th edition of 'Baroda Kisan Pakhwada', an annual fortnight-long engagement programme, focused on the Indian agrarian economy, from November 16-29. As part of the programme, Baroda Kisan Diwas celebrations were held at Alapanahalli at Sulibele Road in Hoskote. During the fortnight, the bank reached out to farmers and created awareness about various initiatives, such as the Kisan Credit Card drive in the name of 'Ghar-Ghar KCC Abhiyaan', as well as created awareness on agri products, schemes/offers and delivery channels offered by the bank for the benefit of the farming community.

Anxious moments for Metro commuters as laptops get mixed up during checks

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TWO identical Dell laptop bags caused much tension for two Metro commuters, after they got inadvertently exchanged during security checks at Nagasandra Metro station recently. It had a happy ending though, as the duo was able to meet up at another Metro station for a bag exchange session a few hours later.

Madhusudhan, a final-year engineering student, and a resident of Madyanayakanahalli, was on his way for a training session at JSpiders near Rajajinagar on Tuesday morning when the confusion occurred.

"I go to the Nagasandra Metro station everyday and take a Metro up to Rajajinagar. From there, I take a bus to 7th Block where my centre is located. It was 7.50 am when I reached the station and completed the security checks. I collected my black Dell bag with my laptop and rushed to board the train," he told *TNIE*.

Madhusudhan's bag

The student did not realise until his class started and he opened his laptop and was looking for the 'Notes' section that it was not his laptop! Within five minutes, he got a call from a person who said he was employed at L&T Mindtree and got his number through the ID card in the laptop bag he had picked up.

"He found out the mistake when he opened his laptop bag to take his earpods out and found it missing and learnt it was the wrong bag!" Madhusudhan said.

The student requested him to come to Sandal Soap Factory Metro station as it was near his institute. "My friend and I dashed on his two-wheeler to the station. We exchanged our bags, much to the relief of both of us. I missed one session of my class, while the other passenger too must have missed out on some office time due to our mistake," he added.

Sri Siddaramaiah
Hon'ble Chief Minister
Govt. of Karnataka

KARNATAKA STATE
ROAD SAFETY AUTHORITY

Sri D K Shivakumar
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
Govt. of Karnataka

Campaign drive program

by Hon'ble Minister for Transport & Muzrai

Shri Ramalinga Reddy...

to create awareness among the public about the dangers caused by over-speeding vehicle's

Dated : 01-12-2023, Time : 12.00 pm
Venue : K.S.R.T.C, Head Office, Shanti Nagar, Bangalore.

An average of 109 accidents and 32 fatalities are occurring in Karnataka every day. That means about 4 to 5 accidents and one death every hour.

#(2022, https:/ksp.karnataka.gov.in/storage/pdf-filed,road Accident_Report_2022.pdf)

'YOUR SPEEDING CAN COST A FAMILY ITS FUTURE FOREVER'

The photo shows the family of a Road Crash victam K.N. Purushottama of Tumakuru. He was hit by a speeding driver in Bengaluru. While he was on his way to a Job interview on a Motor cycle, the crash ruined his family.

Sri Ramalinga Reddy,
Hon'ble Minister for Transport & Muzrai receives grievances from the public.

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A.M. Yogeesh I.A.S., Commissioner for Trasnport & Road Safety
J. Purushotham, Additional Commissioner & Member Secretary Karnataka State Road Safety Authority

Senior IAS officer Umashankar SR, who was Additional Chief Secretary (ACS) to the Higher Education department, has been transferred and posted as ACS to the Home Department, replacing Dr Rajneesh Goel, who is appointed as Chief Secretary. Umashankar is also placed in concurrent charge of ACS to the Higher Education Department

Siddu convinces MLA BR Patil to attend session

CM assures him of seeking explanation from minister Byre Gowda, say sources

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah has managed to convince Aland Congress MLA BR Patil to attend the state legislature session starting from December 4 in Belagavi, thereby saving his government from a major embarrassment during the session.

Siddaramaiah said he had held discussions with Patil and persuaded him to attend the session. "The CM held discussions with me and I will be attending the session," Patil told *The New Indian Express* on Thursday.

Sources said during the meeting, the CM is said to have told the Congress MLA that he would seek an explanation from Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda about his remarks.

Patil had expressed displeasure over the remarks made against him by Byre Gowda in the last session of the Assembly while responding to his question on works given to Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Limited (formerly Karnataka Land Army Corporation Limited). In the absence of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (RDPR) minister Priyank Kharge, Byre Gowda had responded to Patil's question.

In a letter to the Chief Minister, the Congress MLA had stated that he would not attend the session till the probe was ordered and completed. Patil had stated that the minister had accused him of corruption and that had hurt his self-respect. Soon after the MLA wrote to the minister seeking a probe, the Opposition BJP slammed Siddaramaiah over differences within the ruling party.

Meanwhile, Byre Gowda on Thursday issued a statement clarifying that he had not made any remarks that could cast any doubts on the party MLA.

The minister said Patil is a senior legislator and respected leader and he had not issued any statement that could cast any doubts on the MLA.

'188 more Indira Canteens'

CM Siddaramaiah on Thursday said that 188 additional Indira Canteens will be opened this year. Speaking to reporters after garlanding the statue of Saint Kanakadasa on his birth anniversary on the premises of the Legislators' House in Bengaluru, the CM said more Indira Canteens will be started in Bengaluru. Apart from this, canteens will be started whereever it is necessary. Mobile canteens will be set up where there is a shortage of space for Indira Canteen. The CM said Kanakadasa, a great saint who dreamt of an equal society, was a social reformer and preached humanity through his literature | PIC: NAGARAJA GADEKAL

HC to state: Issue rules on posting lower cadre officer to higher post

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THE Karnataka High Court directed the state government to issue necessary guidelines required to be followed in circumstances warranting posting of a lower cadre official to a higher cadre post, before obtaining prior approval from the chief minister, and assigning proper reasons compulsorily.

A division bench of Justice K Somashekar and Justice Rajesh Rai K passed the order while allowing a petition filed by Dr Prajna Ammembala, a KAS officer (senior scale), questioning the order dated August 2, 2023, passed by the Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal, setting aside the transfer notification dated July 6, 2023, issued by the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (DPAR).

Through the notification, Dr Prajna, who was waiting for the posting since March 17, 2023, was posted as Additional Director-I, Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, where Patharaju V was working on deputation.

The court made it clear that Dr Prajna shall report as Additional Director-I at Bengaluru, subject to the state considering posting eligible persons to the post. In the event she is transferred from the post, it cannot be considered premature. Consequently, Patharaju was directed to report to the DPAR which shall give him the posting forthwith, the court ordered.

"We fail to appreciate the conduct of DPAR to pass the impugned order... In the present case, a person either of IAS cadre or KAS (super time scale) cadre only can be posted as Additional Director-I. Hence, we are constrained to opine that, though such transfer orders bear the CM's signature, they cannot be said to be licit orders as we find the absence of reasons to enlighten the CM as to the non-availability of eligible persons for the post, and why a person of lower cadre is posted to the encadred place," the court observed.

Aggrieved by the transfer, Patharaju challenged it before the Tribunal on the ground that the transfer was premature and done without prior approval from the CM. Finally, the Tribunal set aside the transfer order on the grounds that it was premature, and Dr Prajna was ineligible to hold the post.

Challenging this, Dr Prajna moved the high court through advocate Prithveesh MK, contending that Patharaju's original posting as Additional Director-I is itself bad in law, as the post can only be filled by a person in the IAS grade. In the absence of eligible persons from IAS cadre, it shall be filled by a person in the cadre of KAS (super time scale). Accordingly, Patharaju, a KAS officer (senior scale) is not eligible to hold the post, Prithveesh argued.

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BYV, Ashoka defer Delhi visit; 'Upset' leaders to meet top brass

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WITH results to the five state elections to be declared on December 3 (Sunday), newly appointed state BJP president **BY Vijayendra** and Leader of Opposition in Assembly **R Ashoka** have deferred their visit to New Delhi to meet party top brass.

The duo had planned to meet high command leaders, including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP national president JD Nadda before the commencement of the winter session of the state legislature in Belagavi on December 4.

"But the BJP high command leaders were busy with campaigning and now are waiting for the results and hence are unavailable to meet the two leaders from the state," an informed source told *The New Indian Express*.

Meanwhile, former minister V Somanna, who was upset with Vijayendra's elevation, has said that he and like-minded leaders, including Vijayapura City MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal and former MLA Aravind Limbavali, will meet the high command leaders anytime between December 7 and 9.

Meanwhile, Somanna, a Veerashaiva-Lingayat leader, is holding a rally at Siddaganga Mutt on the sidelines of inauguration of Guru Bhavan keeping Vijayendra, also from the same community, at bay.

"It is to be seen whether the high command leaders will meet Vijayendra and Ashoka only after meeting the dissidents. In that case, the duo are likely to visit Delhi only after December 9," the source added.

CID to investigate sex determination racket

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THE State Government handed over the investigation of the sex determination and illegal abortion racket to the CID on Thursday. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who discussed the case with Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, instructed him to refer it to the CID for a detailed probe.

The Byappanahalli police busted the racket in October, following the arrest of four accused who were running a laboratory at a jaggery processing unit in Mandya, where sex determination tests were done. Recently, the police arrested five, including two doctors, who were involved in performing abortion of female foetuses in Mysuru. So far, the police have arrested 11 persons. Investigations revealed that over 250 abortions were performed in last three months by the accused, who were running the racket in an organised manner.

'B'luru Habba' in each ward from next yr: DKS

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DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, who is also Bengaluru Development Minister, on Thursday formally declared the 11-day Bengaluru Habba open by flagging off a bullock cart procession on Avenue Road in Chickpet, Bengaluru, on Thursday.

The habba will commence on Friday.

Speaking to reporters later, the DyCM said, "This is the place where Kempegowda built an inclusive Bengaluru with people from all castes and creeds. He is believed to have taken a procession of bullock carts in four different directions from Chickpet. It is appropriate that Bengaluru Habba is also kicked off from here."

He further said that it is the government and people's responsibility to conserve and nurture the tradition.

Bengaluru Habba is an 11-day festival celebrating the art, culture, technology and life of the city and the government is providing all support to the festival, which will be held in 300 places around the city, Shivakumar added.

From next year, the habba will be held in each ward and Assembly constituency in the city so that people can participate in their neighbourhood itself, he informed.

Many people and organisations, including Unboxing Bengaluru, are organising Bengaluru Habba with their resources and the government is supporting it.

People must make this a big success so that the culture of Bengaluru is kept alive, Shivakumar added.

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar flags off a bullock cart procession at Chickpet in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

Mother gives new lease of life to baby with rare disorder

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A 5-month-old baby being afflicted by recurrent severe infection was found to be suffering from a rare congenital immune disorder, leukocyte adhesion deficiency (LAD).

Though the baby's elder brother who had similar infection passed away during infancy, the infant has survived with the treatment at a Bengaluru-based hospital.

LAD, which needs early detection and intervention, often goes undetected.

Bone marrow transplant (BMT) from a healthy donor is the only way to treat this condition. In this case, the mother of the baby was found to have human leukocyte antigen (HLA) compatible with the baby.

Dr Anoop P, senior consultant, haematology, paediatric haemato-oncology and BMT, Aster CMI Hospital, said, "Most treatment centres even in affluent countries may prefer to perform BMT after a baby weighs at least 10 kgs and is completely free from active infection. This was not an option here as she, weighing less than 5 kg, would have succumbed to the disease. Despite complications, the procedure was successful and the baby is recovering well now."

'₹327cr to tackle fodder shortage'

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"BUT they did not respond to our letters written on September 21, October 4 and October 9. Three ministers from the State visited New Delhi. Even I wanted to meet Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Tomar. But I did not get appointments to meet them," the CM said. Elaborating on the relief works taken up by his government, Siddaramaiah said it has already released Rs 460 crore to over 6.5 lakh farmers as interim insurance. To tackle fodder shortage, the government has released Rs 327 crore. A sum of Rs 780 crore is with the deputy commissioners.

"We have also launched work to ensure that there is no shortage of drinking water. We have made arrangements to supply water through tankers in the affected areas," he said.

POLITICAL THEATRE

Ex-minister hits out at govt for scrapping NEP

BENGALURU: BJP leader Dr CN Ashwath Narayan on Thursday hit out at the State Government over the issue of National Education Policy (NEP). Speaking to reporters, the former DyCM said, "Syllabus and education policy are different. The CM and the education minister do not have this knowledge." He said students will be put into hardship because of the State Government's decision of not adopting NEP. The Congress is doing this for political motives, he said. He said NEP is all about learning and teaching. "After 34 years, the policy has been changed after rectifying previous mistakes. There is a need to provide quality education and equality. Without any discussion on NEP, how can they (State Government) tell they are going to scrap NEP? This is an irresponsible government," he said. **ENS**

Pravasi Soudha to come up in Bengaluru

BENGALURU: Karnataka will soon have its Pravasi Soudha built using bamboo wood in Bengaluru. It will be a 100% carbon neutral building. The foundation for the soudha was laid by CM Siddaramaiah and Tourism Minister HK Patil on Thursday. The building will be constructed by Jungle Lodges and Resorts at a cost of Rs 18 crore. It will house all tourism offices of the government. The Tourism Department purchased land from the Karnataka Handloom Corporation near Ulsoor Lake to build the soudha. Siddaramaiah said it will be the first of its kind building. It will be water, fire and termite resistant and maintenance free. The building will have 2.8 million kg of carbon permanently stored. It will release 0.9 million kg of oxygen to the atmosphere. The building will also be lightning and earthquake resistant. **ENS**

IT dept had questioned a minister, says Yatnal

Bengaluru: Senior BJP leader and Vijayapura City MLA Basangounda Patil Yatnal on Thursday state contractors association president Kempanna's statement that death of contractor R Ambikapathi was not natural must be considered seriously and a probe must be ordered. Taking to 'X', the BJP leader said Rs 40 crore found during Income Tax Department raid at Ambikapathi's residence is allegedly is said to have belonged to an influential minister's son. "IT department had also questioned the minister in this case. The government should conduct an impartial investigation on the names divulged by Ambikapathi," the BJP leader said. State contractors association vice-president R Ambikapathi died due to heart attack on Monday. **ENS**

Election results will test Kanugolu's gameplan for MP and Telangana

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

●After the Congress formed the government following the May 10 Assembly polls in Karnataka, **Sunil Kanugolu** was rewarded with the post of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's chief adviser, with cabinet rank

POLL strategist Sunil Kanugolu's prowess will be put to test in the Telangana and Madhya Pradesh assembly polls, when results are declared on December 3. The strategy used is similar to that of the Karnataka assembly polls, in which the Congress registered a thumping majority, winning 135 seats of 224.

After the Congress formed the government following the May 10 assembly polls in Karnataka, Kanugolu, who had joined the Congress in advance in New Delhi, was rewarded with the post of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's chief adviser, with cabinet rank. He was also allotted an office on the same row as the CMO's, on the third floor of Vidhana Soudha, Karnataka's seat of power, in acknowledgment of his contribution as a strategist.

But he did not take up his post as he was given the task of the Madhya Pradesh and Telangana assembly polls, where he suggested that the Karnataka strategy of five guarantees be adopted.

Apart from this, polarising the minorities in favour of the Congress, by branding the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) of K Chandrashekar Rao as having a tacit alliance with the BJP, was also suggested by Kanugolu. This ploy had worked in Karnataka, where the party branded the JDS as the 'B' team of the saffron party.

Kanugolu, who has worked aggressively, setting up war rooms as done in Karnataka, has predicted 125 seats out of 230 in Madhya Pradesh, and 67 out of 119 in Telangana for the Congress, which means just above a simple majority to form the government, according to sources.

Union MoS Shobha Karandlaje accused the Congress government in Karnataka of not cooperating in organising the 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra'. "It is not a party programme. Still, the state government has directed DCs and ZP CEOs not participate, engaging in politics. This is a cheap political tactic," she said

TS POLLS PEACEFUL WITH SPORADIC FACE-OFFS; PERCENTAGE DIPS

Estimated 63.94% of electorate cast their votes, sealing fate of 2,290 candidates

S BACHAN JEET SINGH @ Hyderabad

POLLING for all the 119 Assembly constituencies in Telangana was conducted peacefully on Thursday, except for sporadic incidents of tension between activists of the ruling BRS, Congress and BJP in parts of the state.

An estimated 63.94 percent of the electorate cast their votes, sealing the fate of 2,290 candidates, including 2,068 men, 221 women, and one transgender candidate. The candidates include seven MPs, 104 sitting MLAs and five MLCs.

The turnout was lower than the average 73.70 percent recorded in 2018 Assembly polls. However, the percentage could go up as a large number of voters were still waiting in the queue to cast their vote past 5 pm. The ECI was yet to release the final voter turnout data at 9 pm when this report was filed.

Several incidents of clashes were reported, with scuffles breaking out between workers of various parties in different constituencies.

Chaos in Narsapur

Chaos erupted in the Narsapur constituency of Medak district, with Congress activists attacking the car of BRS candidate Sunitha Lakshma Reddy's son. Clashes between BRS and Congress workers were reported in various places, including Kamareddy, Khanapur and Mannanur. Police had to resort to lathicharge in some areas to control the clashes.

The ECI had put in place extensive security measures, with over 65,000 police personnel, 50 companies of Telangana State Special Police, and 375 companies of Central forces ensuring a peaceful polling process.

People wait outside a polling booth in a village in Telangana to cast their vote on Thursday | VINAY MADAPU

The death of a 78-year-old woman due to epilepsy while waiting to vote added a sombre note to the electoral process.

KTR confident of retaining power

Stating that the BRS would retain power by winning more than 70 Assembly seats, BRS working president KT Rama on Thursday appealed to the party activists not to be worried by the exit poll results as such surveys were proven wrong in the previous elections. "I do not believe in any exit polls," he said and asked the BRS activists to wait till Dec 3.

Kishan Reddy accuses Cong, BRS of flouting election rules

State BJP president and Union Tourism Minister G Kishan Reddy on Thursday accused the BRS and Congress of flouting election rules and distributing huge amounts of money and liquor in many areas during the polling. Addressing the media on Thursday, he alleged that the police and the government machinery were working for the BRS.

Revanth asks Cong cadre to start celebrations

Hyderabad: Exuding confidence that the Congress would win the election as predicted by the exit polls, TPCC chief A Revanth Reddy on Thursday said that the party's primary focus would now be on making arrangements for the swearing-in ceremony, implementing its six guarantees and ensuring a 'democratic' government is in place in the state. Claiming that the people of Telangana have delivered their verdict in favour of the Congress, he called upon the party's rank and file to act and work responsibly.

Satta market bets on Cong in T'gana

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

EVEN as the exit polls came up with numbers favouring the Congress in Telangana, the betting market and satta market were bang on and had been giving Congress an edge since morning. 'Underdog' Congress was the clear favourite, though it had held only seven seats against the Bharat Rashtra Samiti's 99 seats in the last election.

In the evening, as exit polls came up with the numbers -- India TV-CNX gave the Congress 63-79 seats, as against 31-47 for the ruling BRS. Jan ki Baat gave Congress up to 64 seats and BRS 55 seats, while Republic Matrize gave the party up to 68 seats and the BRS an upper limit of 56 seats.

Even as polling was held on Thursday, bookies were giving 55-45 chance in favour of Congress in Telangana. For a bet of Rs 1,000, you will get Rs 1,900 if Congress wins, and for a Rs 1,000 bet on BRS, you get Rs 2,100. The satta market, too, favoured the Congress with 60-49, almost an 11-point difference in its favour.

Telangana has seen a tough fight between the BRS, which has been in power for two terms, and the Congress, which lost badly to the BRS in the 2018 election. Telangana has a 120-member House and needs 61 seats for a simple win.

AICC Secretary Mansoor Khan said their internal surveys were giving the Congress 63 to 73 seats and the party's vote share has gone up to at least 43 per cent, a sharp hike from the last time. It has been a very hard fight in Telangana, where Congress is confident of forming a government on December 3, he added. Sources said betting was not big in the early part of the day and picked up later in the evening as polling concluded.

Heavy rain predicted across TN for next 3 days

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

THE well-marked low pressure area over southeast Bay of Bengal and adjoining South Andaman Sea is likely to move west-northwest and concentrate into a depression over southeast Bay of Bengal on Friday. Continuing to move in the same direction, the pressure would intensify gradually into a cyclonic storm over southwest Bay of Bengal around December 3, reaching north Tamil Nadu and south Andhra Pradesh coasts by December 4, the regional meteorological centre said on Thursday.

Deputy director general of meteorology, RMC, S Balakrishnan said the state will receive very heavy rain on December 2, 3 and 4.

After reviewing the overall situation and forecast for the next four days, Chief Minister MK Stalin directed all departments to work in a coordinated manner to undertake relief works. He instructed collectors of all coastal districts, including Chennai, to ensure proper management in water resources, besides sending a timely warning to fishermen and the public, relocating people living in flood-prone areas, and keeping ready multipurpose shelters for people affected by rain.

A waterlogged road in Chennai on Thursday | MARTIN LOUIS

CM Stalin posted on his X handle: "For rain-related complaints, people of Chennai can get help on 1913, 044-25619204, 044-25619206, 044-25619207 and via WhatsApp on 9445477205"

EXPRESS READ

SC quashes re-appointment of Kannur varsity VC

T'Puram: A three-judge bench of the Supremre Court, headed by CJI Dr Dhananjaya Yeshwant Chandrachud, and Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, quashed the re-appointment of Dr Gopinath Raveendran as VC of Kannur University, on Thursday. The court pronounced the verdict after it reviewed filed by Premachandran Keezhoth, member of the Kannur University senate, and Shino P Jose, member of the Academic Council. The court in its verdict noted that the appointment was vitiated by the undue interference from the Kerala government.

2 upper caste men arrested for murder of SC man

Madurai: The Madurai rural police on Thursday arrested two people belonging to the upper caste, for allegedly murdering a 37-year-old mechanic P Pandeeswaran, belonging to the Scheduled Caste, in Achampathu around 9.45 pm on Wednesday. The police said that the suspects, S Gopi alias Gopalakrishnan of Achampathu and R Muthu alias Muthukumar of Nagamalai Pudukkottai, got into an argument with the victim over an old issue. They abused him bringing his caste in the picture. They pushed him in a drain before throwing two huge stones over his head, resulting his death. A cas has been booked under SC/ST Act and IPC sections including 302.

Sagar dam tension: AP officials release water

Nalgonda: Tension ensued at the Nagarjunasagar project in Nalgonda district, on Thursday as the Andhra Pradesh police went up to the 13th gate of Nagarjunasagar Dam, to not only stop the power supply at the dam, but also destroy the CCTV cameras. Besides, AP Irrigation Chief Engineer, with the help of the police, released 2,000 cusecs of water to Sagar's right canal. The Telangana police failed to stop the AP police at the dam. Meanwhile, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy accused KCR of creating drama with the AP police at the dam. Minister G Jagdish Reddy has condemned Andhra Irrigation officials for releasing water to the right canal.

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REC FOUNDATION
Fostering the Future

REC Limited is a Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise providing financial assistance across the entire power sector value chain as well as other infrastructure sectors.

REC has also been entrusted by the Government of India to act as the nodal agency for several flagship electrification programmes like Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) and SAUBHAGYA, the program to illuminate every household in the country.

Through its activities, REC Limited lights up the dreams and fulfills aspirations of millions of people throughout our nation.

We care, We empower

At REC, we strive to achieve a balance between economic, environmental and social growth. Through our CSR initiatives we attempt to fund and support socially beneficial projects with sustainability as a guiding principle. We give priority to issues of foremost concern to reach a wide spectrum of beneficiaries with a view to empower economically and socially backward communities.

We are actively involved in facilitating the setting up of projects designed to reduce its carbon footprint and ensure sustainable growth. CSR initiatives have been carried out by REC in the fields of healthcare, sanitation and hygiene, skill development, women empowerment, environmental sustainability and rural infrastructure development to facilitate an inclusive social growth.

REC CSR Model

REC Foundation adopts an integrated approach to CSR. Our CSR model is an amalgamation of

- 'People' - creating positive impact on the communities around us;
- 'Power' - leveraging our expertise to transform lives;
- 'Planet' - Contributing to the global goals of sustainability;
- 'Partnerships' - which are implemented by forging meaningful and fruitful with governmental and non governmental entities for the betterment of the society.

People: Caring for our communities

REC believes that it is important for an organisation to have a strong and mutually beneficial relationship with the community. It is at the local level that the impact of CSR activities can be felt in social, economic and environmental terms.

Through REC Foundation, we make a difference through active involvement in our communities. Our numerous community programmes focus on education, skill development, health, sanitation, access to safe drinking water, rural and urban infrastructure development and women empowerment.

In its 10 years of existence, REC foundation has created a mammoth impact on the community through its programmes and initiatives. These programmes are in line with the national development goals as well as the global Sustainable Development Goals, which have resulted in reduction in poverty and hunger, and have promoted education, good health and overall well-being.

Health & Wellness

- 100+ children with hearing impairment supplied with Cochlear Implants
- 64,000+ people provided with aids & assistive devices
- 1000 doctors & nurses trained in maternal care
- 3 blood bank equipment facilities upgraded
- 1 District Medical College fully upgraded with better infrastructure facilities
- 30+ Mobile health clinic for primary health care service
- 3 operation theatres in three hospitals and equipping them for Leprosy affected patients
- Two 100 bedded & one 200 bedded waiting halls will be constructed in district hospitals
- Installed Neuro Navigation Machine in SMS Hospital, Jaipur
- 15+ district PHCs & CHCs equipped with latest medical equipment
- Integrated Muscular Dystrophy & rehabilitation center set up at IAMD Centre, Solan, Himachal Pradesh
- Renovation of Central Sterile Supply Department and providing new medical equipment in AIIMS, Delhi
- 2,29,000 people being screened for cervical, throat and breast cancer at Tata Memorial Centre, Muzaffarpur, Bihar

Covid Action

- ₹250 Crore contributed to PM-CARES Fund
- ₹10 Crore contributed food, ration and Personal Protection Equipment for migrant labourers and their families, engaged at construction sites and Sub Stations
- Around 10,000 workers workers provided with ration in 34 districts across India
- 4 ambulances provided in Mamit district of Mizoram to ferry covid infected patients to and from the Quarantine Centres and Covid care centres
- 189 Cold Chain Equipment supplied to the State /UT of Dadra & Nagar Havelli, Nagaland and West Bengal to store vaccines against Corona Virus
- Supported development & deployment of CheckIn Master App for remote verification of tickets at Mumbai Central Railway Station to safeguard Ticket Collectors from contracting Corona Virus
- 5 PSA Oxygen plants with capacities ranging from 300 to 1700 LPM financed for District hospitals and Community Health Centres

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Distributed

- 4.83 lakh Kgs of food grains distributed
- 4.68 lakh meal packets
- 10,007 litres of sanitizers
- 4,690 PPE kits
- 2,500 gloves
- 87,300 masks

Power: Energising Dreams

Formed with an objective to empower communities and catalyze in the society by strengthening families and encouraging entrepreneurships, the Foundation has created role models for future. The shared future for our country is strengthened by the various initiatives of the Foundation which center around skill development, women empowerment, health, education among many others.

In line with the National objectives, Skill Development is critical for the economic growth and social development of a country. A country cannot march ahead ignoring a substantial majority of its population. REC Foundation is therefore working towards providing a platform to support women to take up commercial ventures. Our women empowerment programs focus on building their capabilities and turn them into successful entrepreneurs.

Another important focus area is 'Education' which is essential for harnessing human potential, and is a key driver in the development of the nation. REC Foundation supports various programs to augment learning outcomes, strengthen infrastructure and empower students as also teachers.

These initiatives aim to create opportunities within India and provide a helping hand to the underdeveloped segments of the society.

Skill Development & Sports

- Over 46,000 youths trained / undergoing training through skill development training in various vocations
- Over 70% employed after skill development training
- 1000+ local artisans in Varanasi have been trained to work on solarized charkhas and looms
- ₹100 crore assistance provided for broad basing of sports in India
- Constructed Multi purpose hall cum Indoor Stadium in Ukhrul district, Manipur
- An Indoor badminton court being constructed in Raipur
- A Motor sports Race Track and sports complex being constructed in Mizoram.

Awards:

Global CSR leadership Awards, 2023

PSE excellence Award for CSR, 2023

Response To Covid (Gold)
SKOCH Awards, 2020

Best Organization for Women Empowerment
Exchange4Media, 2021 & 2020

Dainik Jagran CSR Award
in PSU Category, 2019

Swachh Bharat Puraskar
Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, 2019

Women Empowerment

- 10,000 women trained in the last five years indiverse skill sets
- 70% of the women trained are employed or running their own enterprise. Women linked through partner agencies to avail Mudra Yojana for loans
- Training of 3000 women for manufacturing affordable sanitary napkins and awareness generation on menstrual hygiene amongst rural girls / adolescents / women in Palwal, Haryana
- Supported safe residential care for 150 girls in 24 Parganas in West Bengal and 35 girls in Dehradun in Uttarakhand
- Residential building for 150 tribal girls will be constructed at Sihore, Madhya Pradesh
- Constructed a hostel facility for 150 girls in 24 parganas in West Bengal

Education

- 600+ schools provided with Safe Drinking Water facilities
- 265 schools equipped with "Smart Classrooms" and "Science Labs"
- 450 schools provided with improved infrastructure
- 2,362 teachers empowered with trainings
- 270+ school libraries digitized
- 12,500 toilets constructed in Government schools
- 650+ teachers and students sent on exposure visits
- 500 Aanganwadis converted into preschools.
- Constructing 2 Hostel tower with furniture / solar PV at IIT Kanpur
- Constructed hostel for tribal children in Kumbalghar & Kohima
- Providing 1700+ school benches made of recyclable plastic in Govt. school.

Planet: Imagining a Sustainable Future

Every business is run to earn profits, but excessive exploitation of natural resources is not morally justifiable. A myopic vision to garner short-term profits should not compromise the well-being of our future generations. Therefore, REC Limited has integrated sustainability as its core business strategy and has committed itself to support projects which have far-reaching social and ecological goals. The Foundation supports various such initiatives.

Rural sanitation is a focus area for the Corporation and is an integral field in our CSR initiatives. We believe that the primary cause of health problems in rural areas is poor sanitation practices, which is the reason of the CSR strategy of the Company being supportive of Government schemes like Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBMG), Swach Vidyalaya Abhiyaan among many others. These are undertaken to uplift the rural community and create awareness amongst the youth and encourage them to use and maintain proper hygiene and sanitation practices. These projects are aimed at reducing open defecation, increasing hygienic practices, increasing enrolment and attendance in schools and also reducing dropouts, especially amongst girls.

The Corporation is committed to supporting projects which protect the planet and help improve the quality of life of the rural community, ensuring future generations are more sensitive towards the planet and its practices.

Sanitation & Hygiene

- 12,500 toilets constructed and repaired in government schools across the country
- 500 toilets being constructed at workplace of BSF troops in Punjab
- 6 e-rickshaws provided for picking up garbage in New Delhi
- Under Swachhta Action Plan (SAP), every city where REC has its presence, adoption of a slum is underway wherein clean drinking water and proper sanitation is ensured
- Provided infrastructure for Mechanized Sweeping, collection and transportation of Municipal Solid Waste in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- Sewage Treatment Plant set up at Tata Memorial Centre, Navi Mumbai
- Electric crematorium set up in Ghaziabad

Environmental Sustainability

- Established solar microgrids providing electricity to households in villages for lighting and appliances
- Established Solar rooftops in over 100 residential schools, hostels in rural areas
- Distributed more than 1,50,000 solar lanterns
- Established Solar rooftops on premier institutions like President's Estate, IIT Madras, IISc, MKU, IIM Tiruchirappalli, Sambalpur University, Acharya Nagarjuna University, etc
- 5,900+ Solar street lights installed across India
- Establishing bio diversing and wildlife conservation lab & training centre in Kashmir & Ladakh
- 950 bunk beds & 3000 RPET T-shirts made from plastic waste being provided to 38 Govt. children case institution

Rural Development

- 300+ Reverse Osmosis water plants installed
- 14 arsenic treatment plants set up
- 1000+ hand-pumps instal
- 24,000+ farmers in draught prone areas provided with seeds
- 1000 water harvesting structures constructed for dry land agriculture
- Construction of multipurpose hall cum indoor stadium in Somdal Village of Ukhrul District of Manipur

Partnerships - Together we can: For REC Foundation, a partner is anyone who shares the dream of creating a more equitable and sustainable society, and bringing about a meaningful difference in people's lives. By working with partners who have the same goal as us, we have been able to reach a large number of people and help improve their quality of life.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction 15 days Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/ physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Union Bank of India** (secured creditor), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to **Union Bank of India** from the below mentioned Borrower(s)& Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor : 1. Srinivasa S/o Chikkanarasimhappa, Kadhirishettihalli Village, Gudibande Taluk, Chikkaballapura Dt-561204. **Guarantor: 2. G Nagaraj,** S/o Late. P Gangaiah, 3rd Ward, Patel Shettappa Street, Tipu Sultan Road, Devanahalli Taluk.	**Outstanding Amount :Rs.15,68,106.31/-** (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Sixty-Eight Thousand One Hundred and Six and Thirty-One Paise Only) as on **17.05.2022** (interest up to 27.09.2020), and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of Residential land Khata no. 3854/3854/9(OLD)3854/9(NEW),Site No:09 admeasuring 1200 SQFT, at 3rd Division, Ward No. 20, Puttappanagudi Beedi, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural Dist. Owned by G Nagaraj S/o Lt. P Gangaiah and bounded by: (Property description as specified in the Sale Deed No:367/2007-08, dated :19/04/2007) East: father Nayak Kulam Property, West : Site No. 10, North : 20 Ft. Road, South : Site No.12.

Demand Notice Date: 17.05.2022 **Possession Notice Date: 05.11.2022**

Reserve Price : Rs.24,30,000/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only)

Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.2,43,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Forty Three Thousand Only)

2. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor : 1. Mr. Thirumalappa S/o Hanumappa, Sonnenahalli, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli taluk, Bangalore Rural Dt. **Guarantor: 2. Mr. C. Manjunatha** S/o Thirumalappa Sonnenahalli, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk.	**Outstanding Amount : Rs.11,84,356.76/-** (Rupees Eleven Lakh Eighty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Six and Seventy-Six Paise only) as on **17.05.2022** (Interest up to 26.08.2020) and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: 1. All that piece and parcel of Residential land and house at Khatha No.11/2, PID No.150300200600900140 admeasuring 36 Sq.mtr at Sonnenahalli Village, Karahalli Grama Panchayat, Bangalore Rural District, Owned by Manjunatha C and bounded by: (Property description as specified in the unregistered partition deed ,dated:29/08/2011) East by: Road, West by: Babu Vacant Land, North by: Road, South by: Property of P Jayaram. **2.** All that piece and parcel of Residential land and house at Khatha No.11/3, PID No.150300200600900141 admeasuring 24.80 Sq.mtr at Sonnenahalli Village, Karahalli Grama Panchayat, Bangalore Rural District, Owned by Manjunatha C and bounded by: East by: Own House, West by: Rock, North by: Sadu and Narayanappa Property, South by: Ramesh Vacant Land. **3.** All that piece and parcel of Residential land and house at Khatha No.66/1, PID No.150300200600900142 admeasuring 38.88 Sq.mtr at Sonnenahalli Village, Karahalli Grama Panchayat, Bangalore Rural District, Owned by Manjunatha C and bounded by: East by: Road, West by: Babu Vacant Land, North by: Road, South by: Property of P Jayaram.

(All these three properties put together-96.68 Sq mt)

Demand Notice Date: 17.05.2022 **Possession Notice Date: 17.09.2022**

Reserve Price : Rs.14,46,000/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Only)

Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.1,44,600/- (Rupees One Lakh Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred Only)

3. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor : 1.Sri. N Manjunatha S/o Late Sri Nagarajappa **2. Mrs.Mamatha** W/o N Manjunatha **Both are residing at :** Ward No.8, Maralabagilu, 2nd Division, Devanahalli town, Bangalore Rural District-562110.	**Outstanding Amount : Rs.15,64,448.85** (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Sixty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eight And Paisa Eighty Five Only) (interest up to 11.10.2022) and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES: 1.All that piece and parcel of Land and Building of property Khatha No:235/399/425/380, Situated at Ward No.8, Maralabagilu, 2nd Division, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural dt, Owned by Sri. N Manjunatha S/o late Sri Nagarajappa , Extent of east to west:12,North to South:38 feet and bounded by: East : Property of H Narayana Swamy and Chinnibabu, West : Property of Narayana Swamy and Late Pillappa, North : "c" Schedule property of Sunil, South : Property of Kotwal Narayanaswamy.

Demand Notice Date: 11.01.2023 **Possession Notice Date: 27.06.2023**

Reserve Price : Rs.31,34,000/- (Rupees Thirty-One Lakhs Thirty-Four Thousand Only)

Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.3,13,400/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Only)

Date & Time of auction : 16.12.2023from 11 AM to 2 P.M.(with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) E-auction website-www.mstcecommerce.com, EMD Submission: On or before 15.12.2023

Increment Bid Amount : Rs.25,000/-

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in (1) https://www.ibapi.in, and www.unionbankofindia.co.in

For Registration and Login and Bidding Rules visit : https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp

For E-Auction Related queries Please contact : 9908350386

Date : 29.11.2023
Place: Devanahalli

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that, my client Smt. Veena Shankaran intent to purchase property from Manjunath K. the property bearing. Khatha No.30/916 of Kothanur village Uttarahalli Hobli, presently comes under BBMP Ward No.194, Bangalore measuring East to West 25 ft., North to South 48 ft., in all measuring 1200 Sq. ft., and boundaries are as follows; East by : 6 feet Passage, West by : Property belonging to Smt. Sarojamma, North by: Remaining portion of the Property now sold M.Munivenkatappa, South by : Property bearing Sy.No.30, of Kothanur Village. and informing general public that Smt. Veena Shankaran also intent to mortgage the said property in favour of M/s PIRAMAL CAPITAL AND HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED and anyone having any claim over the said property or any other claims by any person/s Nationalized banks, MNC Banks Private Banks, Co-Operative Banks any Financial institutions Governed by the RBI Rules may lodge their objections in writing within 07 days from this day to the under mentioned Advocate.

KSR Associates
ADVOCATES & LEGAL CONSULTANTS, OFFICE# 53/1, 1th Floor, Guttahalli Main Road. D.T. Street, 8th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalcre-560003, Email: raviksadvocate@gmail.com, Mobile: 99450 00789

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE No. 45/MYS/2023 of 24-11-2023

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Sl.	Item of work	Approx. Value
1	**Sub Work I-A:** Krishnarajanagar:- Provision of Additional Running Line: Earthwork. **Sub Work I-B**: Krishnarajanagar:- Provision of Additional Running Line: Construction of Retaining wall. **Sub Work I-C**:-Krishnarajanagar:- Provision of Additional Running Line: Construction of drain. **Sub Work I-D**:-Krishnarajanagar:- Provision of Additional Running Line: Provision of IRS Platform shelter per bay 3 bays (16x7m wide). **Sub Work II**:- Krishnarajanagar:-Extension and raising of PF 1 & 2 & 3 to accommodate 24+1 ICF coaches and Provision of drinking cistern with 4 water taps 2 No for PF.No.1 and PF No.2. **Sub Work III**:- Ashokapuram:Provision of full length IRS Platform shelter on PF No.4 & 5 (20 bays). **Sub Work IV**:- Ashokapuram: Provision of 530 metre length and 5.5 metre wide high level platform Road 7 (PF No.6). **Sub Work V**:- Ashokapuram: Provision of full length Platform shelter over platform No.6.	**Rs. 10,27,80,258/-**
2	**Krishnaraja Nagar:** Provision of Additional Running Line in Mysuru- Hassan Line. **Sub Work- I**:- Linking of Track. **Sub Work-II**:- Welding of Rails. **Sub Work-III**:- Supply of Ballast	**Rs. 95,94,253/-**
3	**Sub Work-I:-** Bajakere-Provision of High Level platform for 250 meters, Platform shelter and other amenities at PF 1 **Sub Work-II**:-Kodimbala-Provision of High Level platform for 250 meters, Platform shelter and other amenities at PF 1. **Sub Work-III**:- Kaniyoor - Provision of High Level platform for 250 meters, Platform shelter and other amenities at PF1.**Sub Work-IV**:-Narimogaru-Provision of High Level platform for 250 meters, Platform shelter and other amenities at PF 1 and PF 2. **Sub Work-V**:- Yedamangala - Provision of High Level platform for 250 meters, Platform shelter and other amenities at PF 1 and PF 2.	**Rs. 4,42,14,367/-**
4	Hassan-Mangaluru Jn Section: Rehabilitation/Repairs of Bridge No. 419 (2 x 1.22m- RCC Pipe) at Km.114/200-300 between Yedamangala and Narimogaru Stations.	**Rs. 99,99,965/-**

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 18-12-2023**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Engineer / Co-Ordination
PUB/531/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24 Mysuru

South Western Railway - SWR | @SWRRLY | SWRRLY

VIDYANAGAR BRANCH

#54/1, CRM Complex
Kogilu Main Road, Maruthi Nagar, Yelahanka – 560064. Ph: 9448361391, 28571878
E-mail: ubin0817031@unionbankofindia.bank

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India** (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to **Union bank of India** from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Union Bank of India, [erstwhile Andhra Bank] Vidyanagar, #54/1, CRM Complex Kogilu Main Road Maruthi Nagar, Yelahanka-560064.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: 1. Mr. Antony P T, and 2. Mrs. Helen Anthony W/o Mr. Antony P T, Both are residing at : Srinivasa Building, Kaithottoam Immadihalli village, Ajjogandanna Halli Main Road, Immadihalli White filed, Bangalore – 560066.

Amount due: Amount due: Rs.58,52,231/- (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty One Only) as on **29.09.2023** and future interest/ cost/ expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold : SCHEDULE – A Property: All that piece and parcel of undeveloped immovable converted land property bearing old Site No. 12/3 ,New Site No. 12/6, measuring to an extent of 35 Guntas, situated at Hallehalli village Bidarahalli Hobli BETQ in vide conversion order No. ALN(EBB)SR143/2011-12 dated 18-01-2012 for residential purpose issued for residential purpose by special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore And bounded on: East by: land of Site No. 12/3, West by: land of Site No. 12/2, North by: Road and Site No. 13,14 land, South by: Kithaganuru Gadi and Road.

SCHEDULE – B Property: (Un-divided Share): 338 Sqft undivided share, right, title and interest of the land in the total land of Schedule – A Property referred to above.

SCHEDULE – C Property: Flat bearing No. 017 in Ground Floor ,constructed over the Schedule - A property contains two Bedrooms , Kitchen, Dinning , Toilet/s, Living Room with one car parking bearing No. 017 and Super Built area measuring 1080 Sqft of the Apartment known as "D S MAX SWATANTRA" together with an undivided share right title and interest of land as specified in Schedule – B Property referred to above, along with Water and Electricity together with Common Areas such as passage, Lobbies, Lifts, Staircase and other Areas for Common use.

Date and time of E-Auction: 16.12.2023 between 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) E-auction website-www.mstcecommerce.com. Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of eAuction

Reserve price: Rs. 43,52,000/-

Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.4,35,200/-

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**

The intending purchaser require to register through : **https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp**

The online E-auction will be held through website: **sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com.**

For E-auction Related queries Please contact : 9326717031

Date : 30.11.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

RELIGARE FINVEST LTD

CIN:U74999DL1995PLC064132

Regd. Office : 1407, 14th Floor, Chiranjiv Tower, 43, Nehru Place, New Delhi - 110019
Corporate office : 7th Floor, Max House, Block A, Dr.Jha Marg, Okhla Phase III, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi - 110 020

BRANCH OFFICE: No.421/G, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, 1st Stage, Indiranagar, Krishna Temple Road, Opposite to SBI Branch, Bengaluru- 560038

APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6) & proviso to Rule 9(1)]

AUCTION NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisos to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **symbolic possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Religare Finvest Limited, Secured Creditor, **will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 12.01.2024** for recovery of Total amount ₹ **4,88,99,998/-** (Rupees Four Crore Eighty Eight Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Eight only) [1.Loan A/c. No.XMORKRM00058624 - Total Outstanding as on 28.11.2023 - Rs.2,78,76,438/-, 2. Loan A/c. No. XMORKRM00059728 - Total Outstanding as on Rs. 1,84,39,727/-, 3.Loan A/c. No.XMORKRM00059729 - Total Outstanding as on Rs.25,83,833/-] due as on 28.11.2023 along with up to date, interest, costs and charges due to the RFL from the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s) / Mortgagor(s) namely,

1.M/s.Hyderabad Handloom Centre, Through Its Partners, No 10. C. K. Channappa Garden, 2nd Cross, Lalbagh Road, Chamarajapete, Bangalore Karnataka-560027, **also address,** Maradi, J. N. Market, Chowdeshwari Templs Street, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560002, **also address,** No.23/3, K.H. Road, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027, No. 45/3 & 45/4, KSHDC Complex, M.G. Road, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027, **also address,** No. 45/5 & 45/6, KSHDC Complex, M.G. Road, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027, **also address,** No. 12, Sirigiri Pride, N.S. Palya, Bannerghata, Main Road, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027, **also address,** No. 176/1, Commercial Street, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027, **also address,** No.1, Formerly 1, 2 & 3, Earlier Bearing No. S 37, 38 & 39, C.K.Chanappa Garden, 2nd Cross, Ward No.48/44, Bangalore Karnataka-560027, **also address,** Sy.No. 146/1, Lokkondahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Karnataka-560027, **also address,** New No.150, Old No. 53/1, 4th Cross, Lalbagh Road, Ward No. 48, Bangalore Karnataka-560027, **also address,** No.274, Sy No.57/82 of Domlur, Bangalore Karnataka-560027, **Through Its Partners: 2 Mr. Girappa Nagappa Chirnajeevi,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **3.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Ramesh,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **4.Girappa Nagappa Venkatesh,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **5.Girappa Nagappa Ashirwad,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **6. Girappa Nagappa Prakash,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **7.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Sathyanarayana,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **8.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Panduranga,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **9.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Ganesh,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **10.Girappa Nagappa Jamunabai,** W/o Mr. Girappa Nagappa Giriyappa, **11.Mrs.Girappa Nagappa Padma Bai,** W/o Mr. Girappa Nagappa Ashirvad, **12.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Jagadesh,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **13.Mr.Girappa Nagappa Ganesh,** S/o.Mr.Girappa Nagappa, **14. Mrs. Girappa Nagappa Ramani,** S/o Mr. Girappa Nagappa Jagadish, **All Residing at** No. 3, 2nd Cross, Lakshmi Road, Shanti Nagar, Bangalore (Karnataka)-560027

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Property No.1: Loan account Number: XMORKRM00058624 APP ID- 624548

All that piece and parcel of **property bearing Municipal No. 1, Formerly 1, 2 & 3 and still earlier bearing Nos. 37, 38 & 39, Measuring East to West: 52 ¾ ft and North to South: 32 ¾ ft with Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor Building** in depilated condition situated at **2nd Cross C. K. Chanappa Garden, Municipal Ward No. 48/44, Bangalore** together with all the Buildings and structures thereon, present and future and bounded on: North By: Road, South By: Property belonging to Sri Parappa, East By: Remaining portion of the Property No.1 belonging to Smt.Lakshmamma, West By: Common Staircase & Property of Sri.Lokesh

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **3,04,50,000/-** and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **30,45,000/-**

Property No. 2: Loan account Number: XMORKRM00059728APP ID- 624480

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **Site No. 274** in out of Sy No. 57 To 82 of **Domlur Village Civil Area, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore** in the Layout Plan sanctioned by Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore **together with all the buildings and structures thereon** both present and future Measuring 40'x60'. Measuring East To West Towards Northern Side: 60 Feet 18.29 Mtrs., East To West Towards Southern Side: 60 Feet 18.29 Mtrs., North To South Towards Eastern Side: 40 Feet 12.19 Mtrs., North To South Towards Western Side: 40 Feet 12.19 Mtrs., **Total Area 266.67 Sq. Yds. 222.96 Sq. Mtrs.** Cts Certificate No. 759 Dated 08/08/1990. together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded as follows: On the North By: Site No. 275, On the South By: Site No. 273, On the East By: Site No. 261, On the West By: Road.

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **3,41,04,000/-** and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **34,10,400/-**

Property No.3: Loan account Number: XMORKRM00059729APP ID- 624491

All that piece and parcel of **Industrial Land bearing Sy. No. 146/1 Measuring 2 Acres 7 Guntas (including 3 Guntas Kharab Land) situated at Lakkondahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Banglore District, Bangalore together with all the buildings and structures thereon**, present and future and bounded on: North By: Bachanna's Land Sy. No.145, South By: Government Property (gutta), East By: Narayanaswamy's Land Sy No. 146/2, West By: Srinivas S/o Chikkanarayana 's Land Sy.no. 148 & 149.

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **1,99,85,000/-** and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **19,98,500/-**

Property No.4: Loan account Number: XMORKRM00059729APP ID- 624491

All that piece and parcel southern portion of property consisting of **Land with Old Building bearing Corporation New No. 150, Old No. 53/1, situated at 4th Cross, Lalbagh Road, Banglore City Corporation Ward No. 48, Banglore Together with all the buildings and structures thereon** both present and future presently within the limits BBMP. Measuring East To West: 20'-0", North To South: 69'-6", And Bounded As Follows: North By: 3rd Wide Common Passage Connecting Main Road And Remaining Portion Of The Same Property Retained By The Vendors, South By: Property Belongs To Chinnaiah, East By: Property Belongs To K.R.Siddaraju, West By: Property Belongs To Sri. K.r. Ardhanari Swamy. Together with all the buildings and structures thereon both present and future.

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **9,94,80,150/-** and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **99,48,015/-**

Date, Time and Place of Auction: 12.01.2024

From 11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

at Religare Finvest Limited, No.421/G, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, 1st Stage, Indiranagar, Krishna Temple Road, Opposite to SBI Branch, Bengaluru- 560038

Known Encumbrances

RFL is not aware of any encumbrances on the secured asset to be sold. Interested parties should make their own assessment of the secured asset to their satisfaction. Secured Creditor (RFL) does not in any way guarantee or makes any representation with regard to the fitness/title of the aforesaid secured asset.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on Secured Creditor's website i.e., **www.religarefinvest.com**

For any other information, please contact **Mr.S.Ansar on his Mobile no.80734 05056** or contact him at his **e-mail id: ansar.s@religare.com and Mr.R.Sannakala Mobile No.95356 92006** or contact him at his **e-mail id: sannakala.r@religare.com.**

Date : 01.12.2023
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
M/s.Religare Finvest Limited

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No : Re-E-Tender No 223/2023-24/SE/PHC/CHN

Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)-WSS to Ramamangalam, Marady & Pampakkuda (Part)-Package - I -Part- B- Well cum Pump house at Methipara, OHSR at Methipara WTP site, RWP & CWP, Electrical instalations and allied works-GeneralCivil Work. EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/-; Tender fee: Rs. 13010; Last Date for submitting Tender: 12-12-2023, 03:00:pm. Phone : 0484-2360645
Website: www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

Superintending Engineer
KWA-JB-GL-6-1730-2023-24 PH Circle,Kochi

KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - E –TENDER NOTICE

Office of the Chief Engineer,Transmission (North),Vydyuthi Bhavanam,Kozhikode

E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_623464_1, PAC:Rs.2,96,00,000/-, Last date:11.12.2023 03.00pm

Office of the Project Manager,Chembukadavu III &Maripuzha SHEPs,Puduppadi,Kozhikode

E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_624378 , PAC:Rs.2,43,31,256/- , Last date:18.12.2023 05.00pm

Office of the DeputyChief Engineer, Transmission Circle,Vydyuthi Bhavanam,Alappuzha

E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_626718_1, PAC-Rs.3,79,27,787/- Last date:27.12.2023 03.00pm

Visit **www.etenders.kerala.gov.in** and **www.kseb.in** - Ref: PR /MC1 /E441/ E- Tender /2023

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department

Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,64,27,117/- (Rupees One Crore Sixty Four Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Seventeen only)** as on **16-11-2023** together with further interest to be charged from **17-11-2023** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. H M S Silk Industries, No.52, Melekote, Rehmaniya Nagar, Kanakapura - 562117. Also at, M/s. H M S Silk Industries, Sy. No. 221, Aralasandra Village, Kanakapura, Ramanagara - 562117. No.2) Mr. Majeed Shariff, S/o. Mohammed Shariff, Ward No. 12, Melekote, Near Urdu School, Kanakapura - 562117. No.3) Mrs. Majira Banu, W/o. Majeed Shariff, Ward No.12, Melekote, Near Urdu School, Kanakapura - 562117 No.4) M/s. MMS Silk Industry, No.236, Hanur Belathuru Village, Kollegala, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 571440.**

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mrs. Majira Banu, W/o. Majeed Shariff)

All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing Municipal Katha No. 8678/7383/A, PID No. 36-532-551, Measuring : East to West 15.240030 Meters and North to South 18.288037, situated at Ward No. 13, A. K. Colony, Melekote, Kanakapura Town, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District. Bounded on : East by : Road, West by : House of Puttaswami, North by : Road , South by : House of Chikkavenkataiah.

Reserve Price : Rs.82,00,000/-
(Rupees Eighty Two Lakh only)

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. Majeed Shariff, S/o. Mohammed Shariff)

All that piece and parcel of the RCC Ground Floor, Commercial-cum-Residential Property bearing Old Municipal Khatha No. 5471/3667A Measuring : East to West 50 feet and North to South 54 feet together with 2700.00 sq. ft. situated at Rehmaniya Nagar, Melekote, Ward No. 12, Kanakapura. Bounded on : East by : Municipal Road, West by : House of Fayaz, North by : House of Fazil, South by : Municipal Road..

Reserve Price : Rs.1,39,00,000/-
(Rupees One Crore Thirty Nine Lakh only)

AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
09-01-2024	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch,** B.M.Road, 316, I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural - 571511. Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195.

Terms and Conditions of Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself/herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch, B.M.Road, 316, I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru - Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural - 571511. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the Sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 29-11-2023 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

Registered Office:- 27 BKC , C 27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051
Branch Office: at Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., Kotak House, 22, M. G. Road, Bangalore - 560 001.
Corporate Identity No. L65110MH1985PLC038137

APPENDIX-IV-A [REFER PROVISO TO RULE 8(6)]

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Cum Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6(2) & 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable Properties/Property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic/Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited,(Secured Creditor/Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited) will be Sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE"** is on **18.12.2023** for recovery of Bank dues of ₹. **44,65,725.20/-** (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five and Paise Seventy Six Only) as on 12-09-2023 due and payable to the Secured Creditor in addition to Interest, Costs and charges at contractual rate to the Secured Creditor from **1. Mr. Ramamurthy Arvind Chenjeri 2. Mrs. Sowbhagya Lakshmi Seshagiri Rao & 3. Mr. Ramamurthy Srinivasamurthy,** All residing at No.25, Bagerathi Coconut Garden, Old Bank Colony, Near Hotel Surabhi, Konankunte, Bangalore - 560062, Karnataka - India

Short description of Immovable Properties/Property with known encumbrances and certain terms of the sale:-

Name of the Borrower / Co-Borrower(s) /Guarantor (S)	Reserve Price (RP)	EMD (10% of RP) and Last Date	Inspection Date & Time	Date of Auction & Time	Total Out Standing	Known Encumbrances, If Any,
1. Mr. Ramamurthy Arvind Chenjeri 2. Mrs. Sowbhagya Lakshmi Seshagiri Rao 3. Mr. Ramamurthy Srinivasamurthy	₹. 8,23,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Crores Twenty Three Lakhs Only)	₹. 82,30,000/- (Rupees Eighty Two Lakh Thirty Thousand Only) on or before 18-12-2023 Time up to 11:00 AM	On 11.12.2023, Time : 10.00 AM and 4.00 PM	On 18-12-2023 from 12:00 P.M to 1:00 P.M	₹. 44,65,725.20/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five and Paise Seventy Six Only) as on 12-09-2023	Nil

Details of the Immovable Properties/ Property	**SCHEDULE - A :** All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing site No. 1M-310, 3rd Block, Hennur-Banasawadi Road (HRBR) Layout, Bangalore measuring East to West 24.40 mts, and North to South 15.25 mts. Totally measuring 372.10 sq. mts. and bounded on : East : Site No. 1M-311 West : 1st Main Road North : Site No. 1M-312 South : Site No. 1M-308 along with building thereon consisting Basement, Ground, First, Second, third and Terrace Floors with all basis amenities like water, electricity, etc. **SCHEDULE - B :** All that pice and parcel of the Second, Third and entire Terrance Floor constructed on the Schedule-A Property with proportionate to 2402.53 Sq ft undivided share, right, title, interest and claim over the land in schedule-A property including right to use common areas, such as stair case, lobby, lift, lift room, generator room and other common areas and exclusive right to use of covered car parking space measuring about 1450 sq ft in the basement floor and the second floor consisting of 3100 sq ft built-up area, Third floor consisting of 3100 sq ft built-up area and Terrance floor consisting of 1200 Sq ft built up area and the entire open space to sky in the Terrance floor.

The E-auction will be conducted through Banks approved service provider. M/s C1 India Private Limited, at the web portal www.bankeauctions.com E-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the service provider as mentioned above.https://auctions.kotak.com/properties/auction-notices

For detailed terms and conditions of E-Auction sale tender document containing online e-auction Bid Form, Declaration etc, Please refer to the link provided in www.bankeauctions.com&https://auctions.kotak.com/properties/auction-notices/, also can contact Mr. Sesha Srinivasan M Or by person Mr. Karun B, Mobile- (+919686812683)

Place : Bangalore
Date : 01-12-2023

Sd/- Authorized Officer
Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department

Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.83,52,235/- (Rupees Eighty Three Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Five only)** as on **13-08-2023** together with further

PUBLIC NOTICE

We, the undersigned bring to the notice of the general public that our client **Mr. Vishnu Y.** Residing at No 419,5th Main 1st Stage,6th Phase Mahaganapathi Nagar Bangalore, Rajajinagar-560010.He Has lost the Original Registered Sale Deeds ,Document Number.7739/2013-14 Page Number 8. Dated : 06.02.2013,And Original Registered GPA, Document Number. 0136/2008-09. Dated 28.08.2008. He As Lost at Near Havanur Bus Stop, Accordingly they lodged the complainant on Bangalore City Police, Dated on 28.11.2023, with E-Lost report Number.0827065/2023.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Kaneshmari katha Number 59/195/2A. Situated Abbanakuppe Village, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara Taluku. Measuring East to west : 22 Feet.and North to South : 41 feet. Total Measuring:- 902 Sqt. Bounded on East by: Maridevarus House. West by: A.G.Guddaiahs Share. North by: Nagaraju Property, South By: Road & Shivakumar Property. If anyone finding the aforesaid document is hereby requested to Handover the same to our office at the address mentioned hereunder.

HARISHA S, Advocate
No.2,1st Floor Byranna building Bengaluru-562125. Mobile No.9060950265

IN THE COURT OF THE III ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT AT BENGALURU

O.S. No. 1052/2017

BETWEEN : Sri Ramesh ...Plaintiff
AND : Smt. Naryanamma and others
...Defendants

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No.6

Sri K. Rajendran, Son of Late V. Krishnan, aged about 64 years, No. 59, Krumbigal Road, Bengaluru-560004.

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No. 7

Smt. Balamani Jayaprakash, Wife of Jayaprakash Menon, aged about 68 years, No. 43, Diskenson Road, Bengaluru-560042.

Also at : Residing at Manudeepam, Kizhakkethara, Pallasana, Palakkad, Kerala-678687.

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit against you for the relief of partition and separate possession in respect of the suit schedule property namely Sy.No. 31/2 situated at Sulikunte Village, Vartur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk (formerly Bengaluru South Taluk) measuring 12.08 guntas,

You are hereby directed and summoned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader **on 20.12.2023 at 11.00 A.M** duly instructed and in a position to answer all material questions relating to the claim in the above suit or be accompanied by some person able to answer all such questions on the said date.

Take notice in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned the appeal will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 29.11.2023.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge's Court, Bangalore Rural Dist. Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is inform to the General public that my client Mr. Abdul Majeed, son of Mr. Mohammed Sally Majeed and Mrs. Kulsu S Majeed wife of Mr. Mohammed Sally Majeed, Both of them residing at Flat No. 2076, Sobha Sunscape, After Talagatpura Police Station, Uttarahalli, Kanakapur Road, Bangalore – 560062 entered in an Agreement of Sale deed dated 22.06.2011 agreeing to purchase the schedule 'B' and 'C' property with its owner. While shifting house, my clients have lost the original said Agreement of Sale deed dated 22.06.2011. In this regard my clients hve lodged police complaint on 15.11.2023 before Cyber Crime Police Bangalore City. In spite of their best efforts, they could not trace out the same. Please if anyone found those documents, please furnish/ inform to the address mentioned hereunder.

A 3 Bedroom Apartment bearing No. B-5121 on the Twelfth Floor in the Apartment Building known as "Sobha Forest View- Pine" in block No. Pine Block-5 to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' Property with a built-up area of 1304.61 sq.ft. & 235.76 sq.ft .with proportionate share in common areas, with One Car Parking space in the basement constructed in residentially converted land bearing Sy.No. 22 measuring 3 Acre 14 Guntas, Sy.No. 24/1 measuring 2 Acre, Portion of Survey No. 24/2 measuring 4 Acre 12.03 Guntas and Portion of Sy.No. 24/3 measuring 3 for 30 Guntas, totally in all measuring 13 Acre 16.03 Guntas and physically measuring 13 Acre 11.5 Guntas or 53772.15 sq.mtr. situated at Hosahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and presently bearing BBMP Katha No. 01/22, 24/1, 24/2, 24/3 and bounded as follows:

H. R. Sunil Kumar
Advocate and Legal Consultant
"MARUTHI COURT" No. 47/1-23, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main Road, Tata Silk Farm, K.R. Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore -560004.
Phone No. : 9449674680

IN THE COURT OF THE VIIth ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU RURAL

OS. No. 1207/2022

BETWEEN: Nayeem Ahmed ...PLAINTIFF
AND: Khamruzama ...DEFENDANT

Notice to the following Defendants

Khamruzama, R/at No. 01, 'J' Block, 12th 'C' Main Road, NGO Quarters, Rajajinagar 6th Block, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru - 560 005.

Whereas the plaintiffs have filed the above suit for specific performance and other consequential relief against you and others in respect of the schedule properties. It stands posted **on 20.12.2023.** You are hereby summoned to appear on that day at 11.00 a.m before the Hon'ble Court of VIIth Additional Senior Judge Bangalore Rural District, Bengaluru in person or through duly instructed advocate, failing which the matter will be decided ex-parte.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property Site No. 3467, situated at 4th Block, Sir M Visveshwaraya Layout, Bengaluru, formed and developed by BDA measuring, East-West: 6.00 Mtrs., North-South: 9.00 Mtrs. totally measuring 54 Sq.Mtrs. and bounded on :-

East by : Site No. 3466, West by : Site No. 3468, North by : Site No. 3476, South by : Road.

Given under and seal of this Court, this 23rd day of November 2023.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge's Court, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.

M.D. Raghunath, Skanda Kumar
Advocate for Plaintiffs
Address : No. 109, 1st Floor, Dharmaraja Koil Street, Shivajinagar, Bangalore - 560 001.
Mobile: 98451 31550, 99450 36361

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that my client - Banks / Financial Institutions is/are considering to sanction loan to the Loan Applicant/s by accepting the schedule property, as collateral security. The schedule property presently belongs to **Sri N Thiruvenkadam** S/o late Sri T Nagarajan

If any other person/s / authorities has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule property. they are hereby requested to file their objections to the Sale and Mortgage of the said schedule property to the Financial Institutions / Banks and shall inform/object the same in writing along with the photocopies of the documents relied for such claim/objections, through the registered post with acknowledgement due to the undersigned **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, my client Banks / Financial Institutions shall proceed to accept the schedule property as collateral security and create mortgage for having sanctioned the loan to the Loan Applicant, deeming that no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule property

SCHEUDLE PROPERTY

All that piece & parcel of the property bearing No.5 (Khatha No.198/6/5), measuring East to West 40 ft. and North to South 30 ft., totally measuring 1200 sq. ft. formed in Sy.No.11/1, situated at Horamvau Village, K.R.Puram hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on the **East by** : Site No.8 **West by** : Road, **North by :** Site No.4, **South by :** Site No.6

RAGHAVENDRA P HOGADE ADVOCATE
No.186/8, 1st Floor, Sirur Park Road, Behind Nataraj Theatre, Seshadripuram, Bangalore – 560 020

TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

Branch Address: Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited, No 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers, Richmond Road, Bengaluru – 560025.

POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(As per rule 8(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the TATA Capital Housing Finance Limited., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice, calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, in particular and the public, in general, that as per the order of Hon'ble CJM court Bangalore Rural At Bangalore dated 10/10/2023, passed in Crl Misc.No.1482/2023, the Advocate Commissioner has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him and handed over the physical possession to the undersigned Authorised Officer of Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited on 27th, Nov 2023.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The borrower, in particular, and the public in general, is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited, for an amount referred to below along with interest thereon and penal interest, charges, costs etc. from the date of demand notice.

Loan Account No.	Name of Obligor(s)/ Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s)	Amount & Date of Demand Notice	Date of Physical Possession
TCHHF0493000100089067	Mr. S Surendra Kumar (Borrower) and Mrs. Anjali Devi, as (Co Borrower)	Due as on 24th April 2023 Rs. 3801208/-	27th Nov, 2023

Description of Secured Assets/Immovable Properties : All that the piece and parcel the residential immovable property bearing site No.1, Property No.72/3, measuring East to West on Southern side : 25 feet, and on the Norther Side 31.7 feet and North to South on Eastern Side : 26.4 feet and on Western Side 25.6 feet in all measuring 737 Square feet, situated at Maragondanahalli Village, Bidarahali village, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto and site is bounded as follows , **East By : Private Property, West By : Site No.1 A, North By : Road, South By : Private Property**

For Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited
-Sd/- Authorised Officer
Date : 27th Nov 2023 Contact Add : No 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers,
Place : Bangalore Bengaluru 560025. Mob: 9900880727

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PUTTENAHALLI BRANCHB
No. 94, 94A & 95, Sri Krishna Plaza, Kothanur Main Road, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078. Ph. No : 9653616591, E-mail : ubin0816591@unionbankofindia.bank

Notice to the Borrower Informing About Sale (30 Days Notice)
Rule 6 (2)/8 (6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002

To, Date : 16.11.2023

Borrower : **Jamuna Thapa** W/o. Sunny Thapa, No. 11/6, 2nd Floor, 15th Cross, Vyalikaval, Near Stella Marys School, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560080.
Guarantors : Mr. Sunny Thapa, S/o. Jay Bahadur Thapa, No. 11/6, 2nd Floor, 15th Cross, Vyalikaval, Near Stella Marys School, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560080.

Sri / Madam,

Sub - Sale of property beloging to Mrs. Jamuna Thapa S/o. Sunny Thapa for realization of amount due to Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Union Bank of India, Puttenahalli Branch situated at No. 94, 94A & 95, Sri Krishna Plaza, Kothanur Main Road, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560 078, the secured creditor, caused a demand notice dated 12.06.2023 under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, calling upon you to pay the dues within the time stipulated therein. Since you failed to comply the said notice within the period stipulated, the Authorised Officer, has taken possessio of the secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 6 / 8/ of Security Interest (Enformcement) Rules, 2002 on 02/09/2023 (Furnish the date of Possession)

Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to bank, As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-aution after 30 days from the date of receipt of this notice through online mode. The date and time of e-auction along with the Reserve Price of the property and the details of the service provider, in which the e-auction to be conducted, shall be informed to you separately.

Therefore, if you pay the amount due to the bank along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by bank before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec. 13(8) of the Act.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY : Schedule "A" Property : (Offered 6348.5 Sq. ft of actual physical measurement for construction of apartment building) : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Southern portion of property No. 319, Khatha No. 319, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore. now under the limits of BBMP, BBMP Ward No. 192, measuring East to West 73 feet and North to South 41.5 feet in total measuing 3248.5 sq. feet & Northern protion of property No. 319, Khatha No. 319, situated Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore. now under the limits of BBMP Ward No. 192, measuring East to West 77.5 feet and North to South 40 feet in total measuring 3100 sq. feet which Totally comes 6348.5 sq.ft and **bounded as follows : East by :** Property Belongs to Mujeebjan, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Road.

Schedule "B" Property : (Flat to Be constructed/under construction over the schedule "A" Property) : All that piece and parcel of the Flat No. F-4 in First Floor having Super built up area of 950 sq. feet with an un divided 196 sq. feet of share, right, title and interest in the land/schedule "A" property and no car parking space in the stilt / basement Floor being part of apartment building known as "Sunny Side" constructed / to constructed over the Schedule "A" property with RCC framed structure, concrete Block masonry, Main door teak frame and steam Breach veneered flush Shutter and room doors sal wood with water proof flush shutters, powder coated aluminum windows with glass & safety grills, vitrified flooring etc., and **bounded as follows : East by :** Corridor, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Flat No. F-5.

Date: 30.11.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

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UNION BANK OF INDIA
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Domlur Branch (906361)
Domlur (Erstwhile Corporation Bank)
No. 294, 7th Cross, Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560071,
Phone No. 9372506362, E-mail: ubin0906361@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India (secured Creditor)** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Domlur Branch (906361), Domlur (Erstwhile Corporation Bank), No. 294, 7th Cross, Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560071.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: (1) Mr. Manju M, S/o. Munirappa, #33/4, 6th cross, Someshwara Temple Street, Bilekahalli, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076. **(2) Mrs.Nagashree T,** W/o. Manju M, #33/4, 6th cross, Someshwara Temple Street, Bilekahalli, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076.

Amount due: Rs.1,56,32,359.78/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Six Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Nine and Seventy Eight paisa only) as on 04.02.2023 plus interest, charges and principle thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of residential Individual House property bearing H.No.200, BBMP katha No.182/D, situated at Someshawara Nagar, Bilkahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Pin Code – 560076 measuring East to West 40 feet , North to South 60 feet, totally measuring 2400sq.ft and Bounded : East : H.L.No 199 Belongs to M Venkatesh, West : H.L.No 181/E belongs to K Parashuram, North : Road, South : Private Property.

Reserve Price : Rs. 1,38,88,000/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty eight Lakhs and eighty eight Thousand Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.13,88,800/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only)
(10% of Reserve Price)
Date and time of E-Auction: 15.12.2023 from 12:00 PM to 05:00 PM (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of e-Auction, E-auction website: www.mstcecommerce.com

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through : **https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp**
The online E-auction will be held through website: **https://www.mstcecommerce.com**
For auction related queries e-mail to sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com or contact Union Bank of India, Domlur (906361), No.294, 7th Cross, Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560071, Contact No. 9372506362.

Date: 28.11.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India.**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF LAND RECORDS, OFFICE, KOPPAL DISTRICT

No. DDLRK/Out Source Band Javan/e-TENDER/01/2023-24 Dated: 28-11-2023

Re-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tender Document for Procurement of Man Power Agency for Bandh peon for KOPPAL DISTRICT Under e-Procurement System

Tender Reference	DDLRK/O.S.B.P/e-TENDER/01/2023-24
Commencement of issue of Bid document through E-Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka	29.11.2023
Last date for submitting clarification if any	-
Pre bid Meeting	05.12.2023 05.00 PM
Last date and time for uploading of tender in e-Procurement platform	14.12.2023 05.30 PM
Time and date of opening of tenders: Technical Bid	16.12.2023 10.30.AM
Time and date of opening of tenders: Commercial Bid	21.12.2023 10.30 AM
Contact Person for queries	Deputy Director Of Land Records. Office **KOPPAL** DISTRICT PH: 9844078371, 9731062389 EMAIL: mojini.ddlrkoppal1@gmail.com
Place of Opening of Tenders and Address for communication	Deputy Director Of Land Records. Office **KOPPAL** DISTRICT

Note: Completed tender shall be uploaded through e-Procurement system only in the manner described under instructions to Tender Section I of tender Documents on or before the last date & time stipulated.

Sd/- DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF LAND RECORDS, KOPPAL DISTRICT

DIPR/Koppal/260/2023-24/DeshpandePublicity

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail ID:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.16,34,495/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Five only)** as on **19-06-2023** together with further interest to be charged from **20-06-2023** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. M.B.C Mazhar Pasha Traders, at Stall No.110, PMC Yard, Ramanagara - 562159. No.2) Mr. Syed Mazhar Pasha, S/o. Mr. Mahaboob Miyan, at 1023, Jamia Masjid Cross, Ramanagara - 562160. No.3) Mr. Syed Zoha Muskan, S/o. Mr. Syed Mazhar Pasha, at No.1023, Jamia Masjid Cross, Upper Daira, Jamia Masjid, Channapatna - 562159.**

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mr. Syed Zoha Muskan)

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Property No.152900102401520138, Kaneshumari No.14/16/3/14, consisting of East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet of Land situated Appagere Village, Mangalavara Pete Dakale, Kasaba Hobli, Rampura Gram Panchayat, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District. Bounded on:- East by - Site No.13, West by - Site No.15, North by - Road, South by - Road.

Reserve Price : Rs.8,00,000/-
(Rupees Eight Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
19-12-2023	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch,** B.M.Road, 316, I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara - 571511. Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. (2) The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch, B.M.Road, 316, I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara - 571511. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **02.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 29-11-2023 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

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Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Branch: Andrahalli # 606, Syndicate Bank Layout, Herohalli, Bengaluru-560091.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: (1) Mr. Hanumantharayappa No.59, KSRTC layout, 7th cross, Herohalli, Vishwaneedam, Bangalore 560091. **(2) Mrs. Sowbhagya R** W/o Mr. Hanumantharayappa No.59, KSRTC layout, 7th cross, Herohalli, Vishwaneedam, Bangalore 560091.

Amount due: Rs. Rs.49,31,799/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakhs Thirty One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninenty Nine Only) as on **29.11.2023**and future interest/cost/expenses thereon

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: Property bearing site No. 21, formed in sy no 12/1, BBMP khata no 4580 (old Khata No 12) Situated at Andrahalli village, Yeshwantpur Hobli, Bangalore North taluk, Measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South on Eastern side 25 feet and on Western side 40 feet in all 1625 square feet. (Property description as specified in the Memorandum of Deposit of title deed dated 26/11/2014) **On the North:** DIG, **On the South :** Site no 20, **On the East :** Site no 16, **On the West :** Road.

Reserve Price : Rs. 91,62,000/-
(Rupees Ninety-One Lakh Sixty-Two Thousand Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.9,16,200/-
(Rupees Nine Lakh Sixteen Thousand and Two Hundred only)
Date and time of E-Auction: 16.12.2023, 11.00 am to 2.00 pm (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before commencement of e-Auction, E-auction website: www.mstcecommerce.com

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in** The intending purchaser require to register through :**https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp**
The online E-auction will be held through website: **https://www.mstcecommerce.com**
For auction related queries e-mail to sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com or contact Union Bank of India, Andrahalli Branch, # 606, Syndicate Bank Layout, Herohalli, Bengaluru-560091, (Contact No. of Branch Manager Rahul Sagar-Mob: 9653223631)

Date: 29.11.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India.**

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भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से **"जीरो पॉइंट व एफएलपी क्षेत्र में सिविल व जन स्वास्थ्य कार्यों के लिए एएमसी"** (टी/सी-23-074, अनुमानित लागत ₹ 74.50 लाख), **"एसएमपीसी यूनिट–1 में सिविल व जन स्वास्थ्य कार्यों के लिए एएमसी"** (टी/सी-23-075, अनुमानित लागत ₹ 93.71 लाख), **"क्यूसीएच, कीपाकम, कोताचेनू व सीजीएच, एसडीएससी शार में सिविल कार्यों के लिए अवधि संविदा"** (टी/सी-23-076, अनुमानित लागत ₹ 120.00 लाख), **"एसडीएससी शार में 18 शौचालय जन स्वास्थ्य कार्य तथा अतिथि गृह परिसर में बाड़े की मरम्मत का कार्य"** (टी/सी-23-077, अनुमानित लागत ₹ 33.68 लाख), **"एसडीएससी शार के अंतरिक्ष केंद्रीय विद्यालय में खिड़कियों का प्रतिस्थापन"** (टी/सी-23-078, अनुमानित लागत ₹ 17.96 लाख) हेतु मद दर ई–निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा दस्तावेज **15.12.2023** को **14:30** बजे तक डाउनलोड किए जा सकते हैं। इच्छुक निविदाकार विस्तृत सूचना के लिए हमारी वेबसाइट **www.isro.gov.in** या **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO** देखें।

On behalf of President of India, Item Rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for **"AMC for Civil & PH works @ Zero Point & FLP area"** (T/C-23-074, Est. cost ₹ 74.50 Lakhs); **"AMC for Civil & PH works @ SMPC Unit-1"** (T/C-23-075, Est. cost ₹ 93.71 Lakhs); **"Term Contract for Civil works @ QCH, Keepakkam, Kothachenu & CGH, SDSC SHAR"** (T/C-23-076, Est. cost ₹ 120.00 Lakhs); **"Repairs of 18 nos of toilets PH works & fencing works @ Guest House Complex, SDSC SHAR"** (T/C-23-077, Est. cost ₹ 33.68 Lakhs); **"Replacement of windows @ SCS, SDSC SHAR"** (T/C-23-078, Est cost ₹ 17.96 Lakhs). Tender documents can be downloaded up to **15.12.2023, 14:30** hrs. Interested tenderers may visit **www.isro.gov.in** or **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO** for details.

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Repco Home Finance

REPCO HOME FINANCE LIMITED

HOODI BRANCH: Sri Sathya Sai Complex, 190/1, ITPB Main Road, Mahadevapuram, Hoodi, Bengaluru - 560048

E - AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Sale of Immovable Properties Mortgaged to Repco Home Finance Ltd. Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

Whereas **Borrower: Mrs.Revathi R,** W/o, Mr.Ramalingam S, **Co-Borrower: Mr.Ramalingam S,** S/o.Mr.Subramaniyan R, have borrowed money from **Repco Home Finance Limited, Hoodi Branch,** against the mortgage of the immovable property more fully described in the schedule hereunder, the company has issued a **Demand Notice** under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 on **17-02-2023** calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being vide **Loan Account No.2351816000222** being **Rs.43,40,903/-** as on **16-02-2023** together with further interest, costs and expenses within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

Whereas the **Borrower & Co-Borrowers** having failed to pay the amount due to the Company as called for in the said demand notice, the Company has taken possession of the secured asset more fully described in the schedule hereunder on **05-08-2023** under Section 13 (4) of the Act.

Whereas the borrowers having failed to pay the dues in full, the secured creditor, Repco Home Finance Limited has decided to sell the under mentioned secured asset in "As is where is condition" and "As is what is condition" under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 for realization of the debts dues to the company. The dues of the borrower being vide **Loan Account No.2351816000222** being **Rs.52,46,850/-** as on **17-11-2023.**

DATE AND TIME OF E - AUCTION: 09-01-2024, Time: 11.00 a.m - 12.00 p.m. (with unlimited auto extension of 5 minutes)

Last Date & Time for submitting E-Tenders : 08-01-2024 at 4.00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Eastern Portion of the Site No. 154, formed in assessment No. 55 and 56, Old Khatha No. 55 and 56, Situated at Karivobanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now Property comes under the Jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) having BBMP Khatha No. 3975/154/Eastern Portion in Ward No. 40. **Measuring :** East to West : 15 Feet, North to South : 40 Feet. Totally **Measuring :** 600 Square Feet. And **Bounded On: East by :** Site No. 155, **West by :** Remaining Western Portion of the Site No. 154, **North by :** Site No. 160, **South by :** Road.

RESERVE PRICE: Rs.44,74,000/- ; EMD (10% of Reserve Price): Rs.4,47,400/- ; Minimum Bid Increment Amount : Rs.25,000/-

For E-Auction procedure, please contact M/s Canbank Computer Services Ltd (CCSL) Mr Pratap Kanjilal - 9832952602, Mr.DD Pakhare - 8898418010

For inspection of the property the intending bidders may contact the Branch Head, Repco Home Finance Limited, Hoodi Branch, on all working days between 10 A.M to 5 P.M. Contact Nos.080-43716272 & 88840-00442.

Date: 24-11-2023 **Authorised Officer, Repco Home Finance Limited.**

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IDFC FIRST Bank

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

The following borrowers and co-borrowers availed the below mentioned secured loans from **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** The loans of the below-mentioned borrowers and co- borrowers have been secured by the mortgage of their respective properties. As they have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of the respective loan agreements and had become irregular, their loan were classified as NPA as per the RBI guidelines. Amounts due by them to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** are mentioned as per respective notices issued more particularly described in the following table and further interest on the said amounts shall also be applicable and the same will be charged as per contractual rate with effect from their respective dates.

Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers and co-borrowers	Section 13 (2) Notice Date	Outstanding amount as per Section 13 (2) Notice	Property Address
1	20775300	Loan Against Property	1. Nargis Fathima 2. Imtiyaz Syed Ahmed	17.10.2023	INR 14,67,350.45/-	All That Piece And Parcel Of Land Together With The Residential Prem

EDITORIAL

"The illegal we do immediately, the unconstitutional takes a bit longer" — Henry Kissinger

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— Ramnath Goenka

SOPS NOT ENOUGH, GIVE A THIRD OF POLL TICKETS TO WOMEN

UNITED Nations Women, a UN organisation dedicated to women's empowerment, says, "Women's political participation is a fundamental prerequisite for gender equality and genuine democracy." The goal is some way off in most parts of the world today. In India, political parties have started wooing women voters in a more focused manner than earlier. This is because a rise in women's voting percentages has meant that they have a greater influence on election outcomes. Political parties have been increasingly designing schemes targeting women. They have recently been offered job reservations, monthly cash payments, free scooties and mobile phones, and subsidised cooking gas and electricity.

The BJP has perhaps been the most focused in this respect. The party's biggest move was to pass the women's reservation bill to reserve a third of Lok Sabha and state assembly seats for women, a legislation that had been in the works for long. The law is a major step towards addressing the endemic problem of the near-absence of women from decision-making positions. Women's wider participation in political leadership is expected to go a long way in addressing long-lasting issues such as lower wages and far fewer jobs. Unfortunately, the passed law needs a number of conditions to be met before it can be implemented—including the delimitation of constituencies. This exercise can be done only after conducting another population census. This pushes the law's effective implementation by at least another five years.

The country has seen a sharp rise in women voters over the last decade, with 2019 marking the first year they overtook men in nation-wide voting percentages by a small margin; then the margin grew at the 2022 state polls. Despite all this, their empowerment remains a dream. It is time for political parties to move from merely offering sops to a more meaningful engagement. While all parties supported the reservation bill, none of them gives more than 10-15 percent of their election tickets to women. Allocation of a third of their tickets to women could be a good start for the parties to end discrimination in the name of winnability. The increased participation of women in decision-making will usher in more gender-sensitive public policies and go a long way in ensuring equality.

PRIVATE JOB QUOTA FOR LOCALS ENDS WITH ORDER

THE Punjab and Haryana High Court's recent order quashing a Haryana law that provided for 75 percent reservation in the private sector to the local youth brings the curtain down on several similar protectionist campaigns initiated by state governments. In 2019, Andhra Pradesh was among the first states to reserve 75 percent jobs for locals in private industrial units. The same year, wanting to burnish its 'sons of the soil' image, the Shiv Sena proposed an even higher reservation in private sector jobs for Maharashtrians; a resolution mandated that all industries seeking government concessions needed to reserve 80 percent of the non-supervisory jobs and half the supervisory ones for locals.

In India, where wide salary disparities between states drive the movement of migrant workers, can a state reserve private jobs for locals? The Haryana State Employment of Local Candidates Act of 2020 was specific—it called for three-fourths reservation in private jobs that offered a monthly salary of up to ₹30,000. A bunch of industrial associations, private companies, societies, trusts and partnership firms opposed the law tooth and nail because it jeopardised their plans to bring in workers from neighbouring states for better skills or lesser costs. They argued that the law was against the basic principle of meritocracy that is a foundation for business growth and competitiveness. On its part, the Manohar Lal Khattar government claimed that the law merely made a "geographical classification" that was permitted under the Constitution, claiming it was to protect the right to employment of the people domiciled in the state.

While calling it unconstitutional, the high court said that private employers cannot be forced to employ persons from a particular state; it underlined that discriminating against individuals based on their state would be a negative treatment of other citizens of the country. The court was clear in its verdict that the law was beyond the state's legal authority—*ultra vires*—and violated Part III of the Constitution. The ruling puts an end to all such protectionist measures by state governments and should help freer movement of migrants seeking livelihoods away from their own states. State governments should ideally treat migrant labourers as 'guest workers' like Kerala does, and provide them with equal rights and opportunities. That will surely boost the country's GDP.

QUICK TAKE

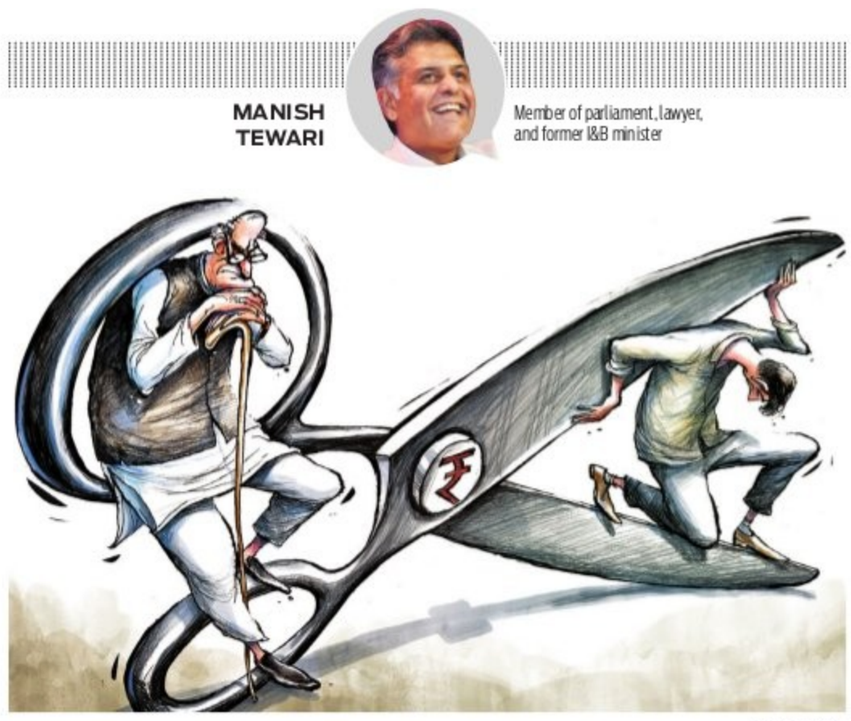
DO NOT EXPORT CASTEISM

THIS week the Oxford University and College Union, which represents more than 120,000 academics and staff, became the latest western educational body to adopt a resolution against caste discrimination. Starting with Brandeis in 2019, a number of American universities including Harvard, Columbia, Brown and Colorado have adopted similar motions. Outside academia, the American Bar Association and the city of Seattle—home to Boeing, Microsoft and Starbucks headquarters—have embraced such decrees. It is a shame that while we continue our long struggle against casteism at home, some of our most privileged youngsters are taking it abroad. It is time to infuse school curriculums with a stronger message against the evil.

Where does public welfare end and populism begin? The answer to that question may not be straightforward. What's clear is the resultant mountain of debt

THE NEED TO SEPARATE NECESSITY FROM LARGESSE

MANISH TEWARI
Member of parliament, lawyer, and former I&B minister



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JOHN D Rockefeller, the *primo uomo* of America's gilded age, once famously quipped, "I believe that thrift is essential to well-ordered living." Before the post-1990s' generation schmoozed on the hedonism of debt—spending unearned future incomes—every school-going child was taught to spend less than what they earned and save for a rainy day. In other words, live within your means. Thrift was a virtue, not a vice. However, financial profligacy and licentiousness, both sovereign and personal, have stood this maxim on its head.

Sri Lanka's severe economic crisis resulted in an inflation rate of 54.2 percent and a 4.2 percent decline in the GDP. Nepal has a widely fluctuating debt-to-GDP ratio accompanied by unstable foreign exchange reserves because of exponential levels of import dependence. Pakistan's economic decline has pushed millions into poverty. All these red flags serve as a stark warning on the catastrophic consequences of subverting fiscal conservatism and macro-financial stability at the altar of short-sighted populism.

As the next general election nears, the propensity for populism will only exacerbate further. Where does public welfare end and populism start is a question that confounds every public policy practitioner.

Does the disbursement of ₹6,000 annually to around 10 crore farmers under the PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi Scheme qualify as welfarism or populism? Does distributing free foodgrains to 81.35 crore people under the PM-Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana at the cost of ₹2 lakh crore a year qualify as a necessity or sop?

Do the Delhi and Punjab governments' schemes providing free electricity to people qualify as a welfare measure—especially given that Punjab is borrowing money to service the interest component of its ever-burgeoning debt burden that today stands at a whopping ₹3.27 lakh crore?

To proscribe a repeat of the 1991 financial crisis, the Union government implemented the recommendations of the 12th Finance Commission and introduced the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act of 2003 (FRBM). This was followed by all states enacting fiscal responsibility legislations (FRLs).

Unfortunately, with time, both the Union government and the states have failed to meet the targets set under various fiscal responsibility legislations. As of March 31, 2023, the debt-to-GDP ratio of the Union government stood at 57.1 percent while India's debt-to-GDP ratio was 83 percent. The cumulative debt of the states was 29.5 percent of the GDP in 2022-23. These numbers are way above the FRBM norm of 40 percent for the Centre and 20 percent collectively for the states.

The Chinese government's debt-to-GDP ratio in 2022 was 77.10 percent, though from 1995 to 2022 it averaged 37.08 percent. Its macro leverage ratio or total debt-to-GDP ratio rose to a whopping 279.7 percent in the first quarter of 2023. This is why it is said that China's growth is buried under a great wall of debt and therefore a bad example to emulate.

On March 31, 2014, India's debt and other liabilities stood at ₹58.6 lakh crore. On March 31, 2024, it will touch ₹169.46 lakh crore. At current exchange rates, it is estimated at ₹172.50 lakh crore, an increase of ₹113.9 lakh crore. Who will service these debt numbers? The coming generations obviously, thereby completely eroding inter-generational equity. India's external debt will also increase by ₹39,286.12 crore in 2024-25.

The Union government and state governments must mandatorily and strictly subscribe to the golden rule of public finance: A government should borrow only to incur capital expenditure and not fund revenue expenditure. Moreover, there is a need to revisit the very construct of the FRBM Act and the FRLs. Although the FRBM Act is not a money bill, it has been repeatedly amended surreptitiously by inserting clauses into the finance bills.

Given that parliament has failed to exercise its sovereign authority under Articles 292 and 293 to establish strict borrowing limits both for the Centre and states, should borrowing limits be imposed by providing a separate schedule in the Constitution and by appropriately amending the two articles or adding new ones?

The escalating burden of pensions also poses a grave challenge to the state of public finances in India. The Union government's pension expenditure has increased three-fold in the last nine years, from ₹94,468 crore in 2012-2013 to ₹2,54,284 crore in 2021-2022. The pension expenditure of states increased eleven times, from ₹37,378 crore in 2004-05 to ₹3,99,819 crore in 2021-2022. Between 2012 and 2021, the total defence expenditure went up by a nominal annual rate of 9.5 percent, while defence pensions surged by 14 percent year on year. Ironically, the defence capital outlay only rose by 8.4 percent during that period.

India spends 18 percent of total government revenues—both the Union and states—on pensions for the public sector workforce. The sector accounts for a meagre 3.2 percent of the country's total workforce. In contrast, the US's funded pension programme benefits 94 percent of all workers, including those in the public sector. The US government spends 15 percent of total government revenues on the programme.

One of the major causes of the economic crisis in Greece in 2009 was the reluctance of the Greek government to change its antiquated pension system, fearing a public backlash. This ultimately resulted in the collapse of both the Greek government and its economy, requiring a bailout of 320 billion euros. Greece has now rescheduled its debt repayments to 2060. As a consequence of the debt crisis, pensioners lost most of their life savings.

It is therefore paramount to revisit the entire paradigm of pensions both at the central and state levels. These unfunded pension paradigms are unsustainable.

India's political system, therefore, must rise above the one-upmanship of competitive populism and rededicate itself to returning the nation to the path of fiscal conservatism and balanced public finances—even if that entails practising severe financial austerity and aggravated thrift by relearning the old adage: 'Today's deficits are tomorrow's taxation'. Otherwise, future generations will have to pay through their nose.

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KERALA NEEDS TO TAKE BETTER CARE OF ITS GUEST WORKERS

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IN recent years, Kerala has become a haven for migrants, christened guest workers, mostly from faraway states such as Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand and Odisha. Research states that they number between 15 and 20 lakh, mostly young adults. At the same time, the number of job seekers in Kerala totals 29 lakh. What could be the grounds for workers to migrate from outside when 29 lakh Keralites are seeking jobs? An equally important question is, what is the impact of migration on the economy and society of Kerala?

The state has been receiving a fairly large amount of remittances from natives working in foreign lands. Kerala received an estimated ₹824 cr in 1980, and the volume of remittances has been rising since then. Total remittances touched ₹1,10,000 cr in 2020-21, forming more than 15 percent of Kerala's GDP.

With the rise in income linked to these remittances, certain activities started to swell such as construction, transport, trading and hotels. An increase in the number of people employed in those activities also ensued. There were only 2 lakh people employed in the construction sector in 1980, compared to 20 lakh in 2021. The number of transport workers went up from 3,42,701 in 1980 to 10,57,585 in 2021 and trade and hotel workers rose from 7,45,786 in 1980 to 13,61,088 in 2021.

As the employment market expanded, Kerala became a preferred destination for a large number of job seekers. Keralites were not keen to take advantage of the growing employment opportunities. How such an anomalous situation could emerge is the question.

A tradition of hard work seems to be absent in Kerala, especially among the upper classes. At the same time, the lower classes were bound to all kinds of tedious and unpleasant work. With the inculcation of progressive ideas, the oppressive social order has all but disappeared. However, the lower classes seem to have emulated the work traditions of the upper classes. The clamour to secure rights, coupled with an indifferent attitude towards duties, stands as a clear manifestation of the lower classes' inclination to emulate the indifferent attitude towards work. This would have prevented them from taking up new job opportunities. Furthermore, many youngsters have migrated from Kerala to foreign lands. A vacuum has thus emerged in the labour market.

While this apathetic attitude stood in the way of Keralites taking up some kinds of work, certain other developments added to the negative stance towards employment. It is well known that Kerala is a highly educated state. The educated class regards traditional occupations as lacking in social status, thus they aspire for white-collar professions or emigrating to foreign lands. If they do not get such jobs, they prefer to remain unemployed. The presence of so many job seekers has to be attributed to such a mentality.

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Kerala—which pays higher wages for manual labour than any other state—receives a large number of 'guest workers' from far-off poorer states. This has changed the state's economy and demography over the years. The state needs to look closer at and care more for these migrant workers

While opportunities were emerging, wage rates were also on the rise. The wage rate in Kerala has been the highest in the country since 1980. The average wage of a casual labourer reached ₹706 in 2021 as against a national average of ₹309. Wage rates stand at ₹277 in Assam, ₹272 in Bihar, ₹288 in West Bengal and ₹255 in Odisha. Not merely wages, but work conditions too remain tougher in those states. So, unsurprisingly, hundreds of thousands of youngsters have opted to move to Kerala.

Migrants are employed in almost all kinds of work except perhaps ploughing of paddy fields. They mainly work as manual labourers in construction, clear gardens and pluck coconuts, apart from working in commercial shops and malls, as cooks and waiters in hotels and restaurants, and helpers in workshops. Most of their services are meant to uplift living conditions.

While remittances provide the resources for better living, it is the labour power of the guest workers which creates the conditions for posh living. With posh living, Kerala has become a consumer state. Increased tempo of consumption normally paves the way for the economy's growth by promoting productive activities. In the case of Kerala, such a possibility is out of place as most goods, including food articles, are imported from other states. Even materials for the construction sector, in which a large number of migrants are employed, are from other states.

Significantly, the import bill of Kerala accounted for ₹1,26,000 crore against exports of ₹74,000 crore in 2021-22. In such a situation, what migrant workers do is deliver or service the goods that are imported and consumed. The productive sectors of other states—and not of Kerala—become beneficiaries of the services rendered by guest workers. They help to sustain Kerala as mostly a consumer state, and don't create a robust economy by themselves.

They are deployed in all kinds of work despised by Keralites. In this respect, Keralites exhibit some form of capitalist mentality. Significantly, the exploitation of human by human in a state where Marxian ideas have widespread approval creates an anomalous situation.

Since they sustain Kerala's economy in its present form, their services cannot be dispensed with, especially in the context of the falling proportion of youngsters in the state's demography. On their part, Keralites should be a bit more welcoming in their attitude towards the guest workers, even though there have been reports of a few criminal elements among them. So far, proper registration of the migrants has been completed for about 5 lakh workers. More needs to be done quickly, including monitoring their backgrounds—not merely to keep a watch on them, but also to ensure their social security.

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Successful rescue

Ref: *Tunnel rescue: Jubilation, but hard lessons to learn* (Nov 30). The rescue has taught that development must be undertaken with due caution. The successful operation also shows that any difficulty can be surpassed with the coordinated efforts of different levels of governance. The continuing support for basic needs and psychological help is really remarkable and praiseworthy.
Jitendranath Guru, Padampur

Probe causes

After the commendable rescue, it is time to take stock of causes and remedial actions to avoid such disasters. Various studies are available to authorities to ensure appropriate methodologies that will help maintain a balance among ecological, economic and developmental aspects in such regions.
DP Dimri, Dehradun

COP28 action

Ref: *COP28 must put global climate action back on track* (Nov 30). The emissions gap said the world is set to get warmer by at least 3°C by the end of the century. Countries across the world have to address the issue in a serious manner by depending highly on renewable energy sources.
Anjali Haridas, Ernakulam

Rationality needed

Ref: *Human compassion, not religion, the answer to global scourges* (Nov 28). Australian Professor Arnold Dix was obviously cajoled to 'pray' to the local deity during the tunnel rescue operations. This fixation on the unseen but omnipresent is bemusing but irritating. We need articles which inject logic and rationality into the frenzy over silly devotion and piety.
Azad Salam, email

Health commitment

Ref: *States on high alert as child pneumonia cases rise in China* (Nov 30). States such as Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Karnataka have swiftly responded to the Centre's health directive, heightening their healthcare readiness. Enhanced surveillance and preparedness reviews reflect a commendable commitment to public health.
Adithya B Kartha, Alappuzha

KCR's fate

Ref: *Make-or-break time for KCR as TS votes today* (Nov 30). K Chandrasekhar Rao might have to walk a tightrope in this election as both the Congress and BJP have upped the ante and could turn into formidable opponents. The BRS boss, whose dream of entering the national arena by cobbling up a coalition of like-minded parties went up in smoke, is on a shaky wicket at home.
C V Aravind, Bengaluru

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Mayawati @Mayawati
Thousands of candidates are agitating against non-implementation of SC/OBC reservation in UP teacher recruitment. BSP demands justice.

Asaduddin Owaisi @asadowaisi
We will win our 7 seats and also win Rajendranagar and Jubilee Hills. I hope Telangana and Hyderabad continue on path of peace and progress.

Prashant Bhushan @pbhushan1
If true, allegations levelled by US against India of planning assassination in New York paint unflattering picture of country's security leadership.

'23 hottest year on record: Report

World Meteorological Organisation releases data until Oct; India says adaptation & mitigation key

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EVEN as thousands of delegates and world leaders arrive in Dubai for the historic 28th Conference of Parties (28), which opened on Thursday, the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) has shown the mirror to all with a damning report that confirmed 2023 will be the warmest year on record.

The provisional State of the Global Climate report said the data until the end of October shows that the year was about 1.40 degree Celsius above the pre-industrial 1850-1900 baseline.

The difference between 2023, 2016 and 2020, which were previously ranked as the warmest years, is such that the final two months are very unlikely to affect the ranking. The warming El Niño event, which emerged during the Northern Hemisphere spring of 2023 and developed rapidly during summer, is likely to further fuel the heat in 2024 because El Niño typically has the greatest impact on global temperatures after it peaks, the report said.

The report said record monthly global temperatures have been observed for the ocean – from April through to October – and, starting slightly later, the land – from July through to October.

WMO secretary-general Petteri Taalas said it is a deafening cacophony of broken records. "These are more than just statistics. We risk losing the race to save our glaciers and to rein in sea level rise. We cannot return to the climate of the 20th century, but we must act now to limit the risks of an increasingly inhospitable climate in this and the coming centuries."

UN secretary-general Antonio Guterres, in a video message accompanying WMO's climate report, urged leaders to commit to urgent action at the COP28. "There is still hope," he said and added that there is a roadmap to limit the rise in global temperature to 1.5 °C and avoid the worst of climate chaos.

Reacting to the report, M Ravichandran, secretary, Union Ministry of Earth Sciences, told TNIE year by year these records are going to break as the warming continues. "The mitigation and adaptation are key to survive in this new normal scenario."

India is one among the most affected countries. "The Indian average rainfall remains the same, but there is shrinking spatially and temporally. There are more cloudbursts and drought. This is because, the atmosphere's capacity to hold water has increased. If earlier it was holding 1 litre, now it is holding 2 litres and all the water is dumped on a region causing cloudburst."

Former secretary Madhavan Nair Rajeevan also said COP28 is good platform for the countries to push for mitigation and make the rich countries cut their emissions.

Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav at COP28 meet in Dubai | PTI

Deal to operationalise Loss & Damage Fund at COP28

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THE 28th Conference of Parties (COP28) had an auspicious start on Thursday achieving a major milestone — an agreement to operationalise Loss and Damage (L&D) Fund, which will be used to support developing countries, especially the vulnerable, to tide over the adverse effects of climate change. On Day 1, a cumulative $420 million was pledged by different countries.

The UAE pledged $100 million to set the ball rolling. COP28 president Sultan Al Jaber, who is the UAE's Special Envoy for Climate Change, was in the eye of the storm days ahead of COP facing criticism of conflict of interest after leaked documents suggested the global climate event was being used by the UAE to strike business deals. Al Jaber vehemently refuted it. Now, this agreement will salvage some credibility.

Pledges so far in COP28

- **UAE:** $100 million
- **Germany:** $100 million
- **UK:** £40 million to the Fund, £20 million for other funding arrangements for loss and damage
- **US:** $17.5 million
- **Japan:** $10 million
- **EU:** €225 million (including Germany)

Major push for self-reliance in defence
Net Value of Projects Approved
₹2.23 lakh crore
Projects Cleared
97 Tejas Light Combat Aircraft (Mark 1A) for the IAF
156 Light Combat Helicopters for the Army and Air Force
Why This Matters
Prolonged military standoff with China in eastern Ladakh and strengthening national defence capabilities
Significance
98%
of the total procurement value will be sourced domestically

Proposal for procurement of 97 Tejas fighters, 156 Prachand copters cleared

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

INDIA on Thursday granted initial approval for defence acquisition projects totaling Rs 2.23 lakh crore, marking a significant step to bolster the combat capabilities of its armed forces. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), led by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, sanctioned the projects, which include the procurement of 97 Tejas light combat aircraft and 156 Prachand combat helicopters.

This move comes amid a prolonged military standoff with China in eastern Ladakh. The defence ministry emphasised that 98% of the total procurement value will be sourced domestically, contributing substantially to the goal of 'Aatmanirbharta' (self-reliance) in the defence industry. This marks the most substantial order book ever awarded to indigenous manufacturers in India.

Presently, an Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) has been granted, and subsequent contract negotiations with manufacturers will follow. While this process will require time, it is expected to be considerably shorter than if foreign manufacturers were engaged. Furthermore, the DAC approved the Indian Air Force's proposal to upgrade its Su-30 fighter fleet by Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd.

The council also granted AoN for the procurement of anti-tank munitions, automatic target tracker, digital basaltic computer for T-90 tanks, and medium-range anti-ship missiles for the Indian Navy. The lightweight surface-to-surface missile, MRAShM, will serve as a primary offensive weapon on various Indian naval ships.

The DAC's approval extends to the procurement of Light Combat Helicopters for the Indian Air Force and Indian Army, as well as Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Mk-1A for the IAF from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited under the Buy (Indian-IDDM) category. While specific numbers were not mentioned, official sources indicate the acquisition of 97 Tejas Light Combat Aircraft (Mark 1A) for the IAF and 156 Light Combat Helicopters for the Army and Air Force.

Earlier, in a significant development in February 2021, the defence ministry finalised a Rs 48,000 crore deal with Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd for the procurement of 83 Tejas MK-1A jets for the IAF. With this, the IAF's procurement of Tejas aircraft will rise to 180.

'Bharat', Dhanvantari image in new NMC logo irk doctors

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

A new logo of the National Medical Commission (NMC), which regulates medical education in India, has courted controversy.

The new logo has a bolder and more colourful picture of Dhanvantari, the father of Ayurveda. The word 'Bharat' has been inserted in it.

Earlier, the Dhanvantri image in the logo was smaller and darker. The logo also had 'India' and 'Bhartiya' written in it, which has now been removed.

Though the new logo can be seen on NMC's official website, on its X (formerly Twitter) handle, the national emblem with Satyamev Jayate written below remains. The NMC, on its letterhead, frequently uses the national symbol.

Many doctors and medical professionals took to social media, especially X, to criticize the new logo.

Speaking to this newspaper, Dr Sharad Kumar Agarwal, national president of Indian Medical Association (IMA), said that changing the logo was "unnecessary".

"The inclusion of Dhanvantri was unnecessary and should have been avoided. They should focus on the quality of medical education. They are not a political body and should not have political aspirations or try to please their political bosses," he said.

The IMA's Kerala branch shot off a letter to the NMC chairman condemning the decision and demanded immediate action in this regard.

"This is to inform you that the recent change in the National Medical Commission logo is unacceptable to the modern medical fraternity. The new logo gives a wrong message and will harm the scientific and secular nature of the commission," the letter, written jointly by IMA Kerala president Dr Joseph Benaven and secretary Dr K Sasidharan, said. "Members of the profession have already raised their voices against this unacceptable move," they said.

Kannur-based ophthalmologist K V Babu, who has filed numerous RTIs with the NMC and the Union health ministry, demanded that medical body members share their assets as mandated by the NMC Act 2019. "The members are trying to divert the attention of the doctors and public by creating controversies," he said.

Dr. Rohan Krishnan, national chairman of the Federation of All India Medical Association (FAIMA), said the move is unnecessary. "The new logo resembles the logo of the National Medicos Organisation (NMO), which is a political wing," he told this paper.

The controversy

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NIA opposes Shoma Sen's bail plea in Elgar case

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @New Delhi

THE NIA on Thursday vehemently opposed Shoma Kanti Sen's plea seeking interim bail on health grounds in the Elgar Parishad case, saying she was suffering from general ailments and that there was nothing special about it.

Sen, an English literature professor and women's rights activist, was arrested on June 6, 2018. She has through her senior Supreme Court lawyer Anand Grover pleaded before the apex court bench for interim bail on the ground of deteriorating health.

A two-judge bench, headed by Justice Aniruddha Bose and also comprising Justice Augustine George Masih, indicated that it was inclined to grant medical bail for a limited period. "Medical bail for a limited period we think we can give," Justice Bose indicated.

Additional Solicitor General (ASG) KM Nataraj, senior law officer appearing for the NIA, told the bench that a medical board can be constituted to verify Sen's medical condition and there is nothing that requires immediate treatment.

The top court, however, did not pass any order and fixed the matter on December 6.

PM says only 4 'castes' exist for him — poor, youth, women and farmers

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday took a swipe at previous non-BJP governments in the country saying that they considered themselves above the people (janta ka maai-baap), depriving a large population of its rights to development.

He said for his government, only four 'castes' exist – the poor, the youth, women and farmers. The government is committed to building a Viksh-hit-Bharat (developed India) by ensuring their rights to development.

He was addressing virtually the beneficiaries of various government welfare measures as part of the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra. The PM said his work in the last decade has led to people having immense confidence in his government. His government has dismantled the attitude of acting like "mai baap" for which the previous governments were known, as well as vote bank politics. "The people of the country have seen that period," he said. His remarks came at a time when the general election is only just 5-6 months away.

The 'mai-baap' term in Hindi refers to the feudal mindset of a person who thinks of himself above everyone.

The PM said the middlemen culture was pervading during the previous rule. Without middlemen, no work was done for the people, he added.

"There was no house, no toilet, no electricity and gas connection, and no bank accounts. More than half of India's population felt let down by the government," he said attacking the previous governments. In an interaction with the beneficiaries, the PM asserted that India was neither going to stop nor would it get tired as the people have resolved to transform the country into a developed nation, trusting his government in the last 10 years.

He said previous governments ran the country on "political and vote bank considerations." "The people never trusted their announcements. Today, we have changed this and the government in place now considers people as a 'form of God' and works with 'seva bhav' (sense of service) not 'satta bhav' (sense of power)", the PM asserted. On the yatra, he said "Modi ki guarantee" has reached 12,000 panchayats and 30 lakh people benefited.

PM Modi virtually addresses beneficiaries of 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra' | PTI

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> Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Action against Hamas to continue: Israel envoy

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

WITH a temporary truce declared between Israel and Gaza and hostages being exchanged, the big question on everyone's mind is whether the war is finally over. To this, Israeli Consul General **Tammy Ben Haim** said action against Hamas would continue. She was speaking in response to a question by students of Bangalore City University, at an official interaction on campus recently.

To a student's question about accusations of war crimes against Israel by some nations, she explained, "Israel has done its best to avoid civilian casualties. In the Al-Ahli Hospital bombing, the rocket was a misfired Hamas explosive which fell in the parking lot and damaged the hospital. When this was pointed out with evidence, Hamas accusations against Israel stopped.

"As far as the Geneva Convention norms are concerned, Hamas raped and murdered young innocent civilians, and even video recorded these ghastly acts on October 7. They set up terror bases in tunnels below mosques, hospitals and kindergartens, which is a violation of Geneva rules. They fired rockets against Israel and when Israel retaliated they used human shields."

Asked if the October 7 attack was a failure of Mossad, which is rated among the best intelligence agencies in the world, she said the lapse would be investigated at some point in the future, but now Israel is focused on winning the war against Hamas. "On a regular basis, Israel thwarts terror attacks or attempts and you can never be 100 per cent fail-proof. Mossad provides intelligence inputs about many different kinds of attacks, which have been useful in the past," she said.

On the state of tourism, considering around 35,000-40,000 Israelis visit India every year and about 80,000-90,000 Indians visited Israel in 2018 before the Covid-19 pandemic, and things had begun looking up again, she said it is hoped tourism will flourish again, now that there is truce.

Later, speaking exclusively to this newspaper, she said Israel's priority is to get its 200-plus hostages back, and that process has started. Israel would be "very interested in demolishing the terror network, considering there are tunnels running about 500km through Gaza". Asked if Gaza would be handed back to Hamas, since war is nearing completion, she replied in the negative, saying that when Israel left Gaza 18 years ago, Hamas moved in built a terror network.

Varsity tie-up possible

In response to a question on suggestions of a possible tie-up between Bangalore City University or other universities in India with universities in Israel, Haim said it was possible when universities reopen after the war. She said Israel is very much in favour of it and that many Indian origin students are studying in Israel, which is proof such a tie-up would be mutually beneficial.

WHO seeks joint efforts as 3.9 million people with HIV live in South-East Asia

KAVITA BAJELI DATT @New Delhi

AN estimated 3.9 million people are living with HIV in the South-East Asia region, accounting for around 10% of the global burden, said the World Health Organisation (WHO on Thursday.

Marking World AIDS Day, observed on December 1, WHO stated that in 2022, an estimated 110,000 people became newly infected with HIV, and 85,000 people in the region died of AIDS-related causes. This accounted for over 13% of the global burden of AIDS-related death.

Calling on member states, partners, and communities in the South-East Asia Region and across the world, WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia, Dr. Poonam Khetrapal Singh, said the need is to continue fostering collaboration to address the challenges in ending AIDS by 2030 and to empower communities to lead in shaping the response forward.

Over the past decade, the South-East Asia Region has made substantial progress with a remarkable decline in both HIV and HIV-related deaths. The number of new HIV infections has halved from 200,000 in 2010 to 110,000 in 2022, and similarly, HIV-related deaths reduced to one-third from 230,000 in 2010 to 85,000 in 2022.

In 2022, 65% of people living with HIV were receiving life-saving antiretroviral treatment, compared to only 17% in 2010. In 2019, Maldives and Sri Lanka were validated to have eliminated mother-to-child transmission of HIV and congenital syphilis, which Thailand achieved in 2016 – the first country in Asia to do so. By the end of 2022, 81% of people in the region living with HIV knew their status, 65% were on antiretroviral therapy, and 61% were virally suppressed. "Despite this progress, the region needs to accelerate efforts to ensure more people are reached," Dr Khetrapal said.

One tenth of the global burden
3.9 MILLION
HIV afflicted live in SE Asia
Policy makers reach out to communities, particularly youth.
Continued reform of laws and regulations
Elimination of stigma, discrimination and exclusion.
Call for accelerated efforts to reach SDG targets.
Investment in decentralised and integrated primary health services.

WINTER VACATION

The National Institute of Technology Srinagar closed for winter vacation on Thursday, 10 days ahead of schedule, as a precautionary measure, a day after protests against a student's social media post spread to other institutes.

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	28	13	Mumbai	35	19
Bhopal	26	17	Panaji	32	24
Jaipur	25	15	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	21	14	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	28	22	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	29	19	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	07	-05	Chandigarh	42	23

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BALLOTS SEALED, PREDICTIONS OUT, NOW OVER TO D-DAY

Nervousness grips BJP and Congress in Hindi heartland as exit polls show neck-and-neck fight for many seats. In Mizoram a different mood prevails

Will it, won't it? Chouhan, Nath claim victory

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

WHILE four of the eight major exit polls on the Madhya Pradesh assembly polls have predicted an impressive win for the ruling BJP, four other exit polls have predicted a close fight between the two main players, with an edge to the Congress.

While Today's Chanakya has given BJP an overwhelming majority of 151 seats (74 seats to the Congress), the CNX exit poll is close behind with 140-158 seats for the BJP against 70-89 seats for the Congress. A somewhat similar prediction has been made by the Axis My India poll which has projected 140-162 seats for the BJP.

On the other hand, four other exit polls have either predicted a close fight between the two prime contenders or else projected an edge for the Congress in the assembly polls, whose results will be out on December 3.

CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan said, "What is being projected by the exit polls mirrors the people's aspirations and feelings. I always said there is no close fight in MP and BJP will win with big numbers. Love for PM Narendra Modi among the people, the strategies of home minister Amit Shah, hard work put in by our party workers and success of our people's friendly schemes have worked in BJP's favour," said the CM.

State Congress president and party's CM face Kamal Nath posted on the social media platform 'X,' "I've always said that a country is run by vision and not by television. People have voted in large numbers for the Congress, which is the result of the hard work put in by our party workers. Don't allow your attention to be diverted by the exit polls."

Road to Raipur goes via Bastar & Sarguja again?

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

THE multiple exit polls predicted a close fight between the Congress and the BJP with an edge to the former in Chhattisgarh where a two-phase election was held.

While Times Now, Dainik Bhaskar, India TV-CNX, Republic TV-Matrize projected a majority for the Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress, while India Today-Axis My India poll predicted that the Congress will have an upper hand over BJP in the 90-member Assembly. After the exit polls results, Baghel reiterated that the Congress would achieve its target of winning 75 seats. "The results will be better than what the exis polls projected in favour of the Congress," he said

The BJP said that the sample size of the exit polls is usually limited. "I visited every corner across the 90 Assembly seats and interacted with party workers. Their feedback suggested that the BJP will form government in Chhattisgarh. PM Modi's guarantee and failures of the Congress government will help the BJP get absolute majority," stated Arun Sao, Chhattisgarh BJP president.

To what extent the poll manifesto of parties influenced the voters will be known only on the result day.

The north Chhattisgarh of Sarguja where the Congress had won all the 14 seats in the 2018 polls seems evenly poised. The BJP, which didn't have a single MLA from the 12 assembly segments of Bastar zone, is projected to gain some seats.

It is widely believed that the gateway to power in Chhattisgarh is through tribal-dominated Bastar and Sarguja, both holding the key to the formation of the government.

Counting date not changed, Mizos gear up to hit the streets today

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

AMID perception that the Mizoram elections will throw up a fractured mandate, most exit polls gave an edge to ruling Mizo National Front (MNF).

However, the Mizos at large, including political parties and various organisations, are hardly bothered. They will hit the streets in state capital Aizawl on Friday as the Election Commission has not rescheduled the vote-counting date, which is a Sunday. The Mizos consider Sunday as a sacred day. After the election schedule was announced, they had appealed to the EC to reschedule the counting date, stating that church services would be affected if the votes are counted on December 3. The EC has remained unmoved.

The NGO, Co-Ordination Committee (NGOCC), is organising the protest from 11 am to 2 pm. It invited all Mizos to participate in it to "safeguard the sacred day of the Christians". Five major NGOs are part of NGOCC. The MNF said it would take part in the protest.

"We all had appealed to the EC to reschedule the counting date. As that hasn't happened, we will take part in the protest tomorrow," MNF general secretary VL Krosshnehzova told this newspaper. He said the MNF was not surprised by the exit poll predictions. "The exit poll predictions are on expected lines. We know we will retain power," he added.

The Zoram People's Movement (ZPM), a conglomerate of regional forces, said it would like to wait for the results day, while the Congress is not too optimistic about its prospects.

Close fight as Gehlot, BJP put up brave front

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE exit poll results in Rajasthan have again given wings to the hopes of the ruling Congress returning to power. Till now, there is a tradition of changing power in Rajasthan every five years. This time, according to some exit polls, Congress is in the lead, although some showed that the BJP was in the lead position. However, there appears to be a close contest.

Congress leaders said that the people voted for the social welfare schemes and the 'seven guarantees' of the Ashok Gehlot government. Party strategists believe that the poor, SC and minorities have voted in large numbers. The high voting percentage of women also indicates that Congress was favoured due to inflation relief camps, Chiranjeevi Yojana and many such schemes.

Meanwhile, BJP leaders said they did not trust the exit polls and that the party would get a majority. State BJP chief CP Joshi said that the party would return to power with a two-thirds majority and that there was an undercurrent against Congress rule.

CM Ashok Gehlot exuded confidence. "No matter what the exit polls say, Congress is forming the government in Rajasthan. The BJP is not winning in any of the five states."

He cited three reasons for the Congress victory. "First, that is no anti-incumbency wave against the government. Second, everyone believes the CM has done whatever he can. The third reason is no one liked the language of the Prime Minister, Home Minister, and other Ministers," said Gehlot. Joshi retaliated saying the CM's remarks showed his disappointment.

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27K students get award for academic excellence

Altogether 27,183 students in Assam, who secured 75 per cent or more marks in this year's High School Leaving Certificate examination, were presented the Anundoram Borooah award by the Assam government. It carries ₹15,000 which is transferred to the bank accounts of students. CM Himanta Biswa Sarma who attended the ceremony held at Srimanta Sankardeva Kalakshetra in Guwahati, said the award is given to encourage students. The government named the award after Borooah (1850-1889) who was a lawyer and scholar of Sanskrit. He was both the first graduate and the first Indian Civil Service officer from Assam.

Learn Vipassana & get 12-day leave, says govt

Teachers in BJP-ruled Assam, willing to voluntarily participate in a 'Vipassana' (meditation) course, will get a 12-day leave. The aim is to train teachers so that in turn they can train students. "We want our teachers to be capable of teaching our students Vipassana which is to meditate, enhance attention and manage their minds positively," education minister Ranoj Pegu said. Vipassana is an ancient Indian meditation technique focusing on connecting the mind with the body. It purifies the mind, eliminates negative energies and leads to enlightenment, he said.

Event to understand forest ecology

Deforestation, urban heat island effect, freshwater scarcity, pollution, flash floods and climate change are the pertinent issues clouding the metropolis, biodiversity conservation organisation Aaranyak said. It recently organised an event 'Nature's Wonderland – a journey of curiosity' to promote a better understanding of forest ecology in the urban landscape. The event focused on forest biodiversity at the Rani Reserve Forest on the outskirts of Guwahati. The NGO said with cities becoming the locus of economy, trade and logistics, landscapes around the world are changing due to rapid urbanisation.

CBI conducts raids in Bengal, Mamata MLA under scanner

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Thursday, conducted raids at eight locations across West Bengal , including the residences of Trinamool Congress (TMC) MLA Zakibul Islam and two councillors affiliated with the ruling party in civic bodies. The investigation pertains to irregularities in the recruitment process within state-run schools.

Zakibul Islam, the MLA from Domkol in Murshidabad, had his residence searched by the federal agency, leading to the discovery of ₹24 lakh in cash, suspected to be proceeds of the alleged crime.

CBI sources revealed that Zakibul's name emerged during the interrogation of Manik Bhattacharya, another TMC legislator from Palashipara in Nadia, who was arrested in July. Zakibul, who also served as the chairman of Domkol municipality, allegedly has connections with several educational institutions.

₹24L cash found

Zakibul Islam, the MLA from Domkol in Murshidabad, had his residence searched by the CBI, leading to the discovery of ₹24 lakh in cash. Zakibul, who also served as the chairman of Domkol municipalityallegedly has connections with several educational institutions.

A CBI officer stated, "Zakibul failed to provide satisfactory explanations when questioned about the source of the ₹24 lakh from his residence."

The CBI conducted raids on two houses owned by Bappaditya Majumdar of Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Debraj Chakrabarty of Bidhannagar municipality. Information obtained from the interrogation of former education minister Partha Chatterjee pointed to Majumdar's involvement in recommending individuals for school jobs in exchange for monetary gains. Chatterjee, along with his aide Arpita Mukherjee, was arrested last year by the ED, and both are currently in jail. It recovered a substantial amount of ₹49 crore and jewelry from Arpita's two apartments, deemed as proceeds of the alleged crime by the investigating agency.

During Wednesday's rally at the TMC's customary venue to commemorate its annual Martyrs' Day on July 21, Home Minister Amit Shah made references to the arrests of TMC ministers and prominent figures linked to purported scams.

Day after factory blast, bodies of 7 workers found

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

A day after a major fire engulfed a chemical plant in Gujarat's Surat, seven bodies were recovered from the site on Thursday morning. Since the bodies are unrecognizable, DNA tests will be performed to identify them, the police said. The firm operating the plant announced a compensation of ₹50 lakh for the deceased and ₹25 lakh for injured workers.

On Wednesday morning, a fire broke out at the Aether Industries located in Sachin GIDC industrial area, injuring 27 laborers who are currently receiving medical attention at several city hospitals. According to available information, four labourers are crucial.

Surat DCP Rajesh Parmar told the media, "The bodies recovered from the site have been sent to the civil hospital for post-mortem. We will collect DNA samples and compare them with samples from their relatives."

3 dead after consuming Ayurvedic syrup in Gujarat

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

AT least 3 people have died and 2 have been hospitalized in Gujarat's Kheda district in the last two days after "consuming an Ayurvedic syrup" containing methyl alcohol, according to the police.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the syrup, branded as 'Kalmeghasav - Asava Arishta', was sold over the counter to nearly 55 people by a shopkeeper in Bilodara village, located near Nadiad town.

Gujarat government spokesperson and cabinet minister Rishikesh Patel told the media, "It appears that methyl was used instead of ethyl in the syrup, which can cause blindness and even death. The incident is being investigated by the police."

"No one has been granted permission by the government to manufacture such drinks in Gujarat. Since one such license was cancelled, it appears that the syrup was brought from somewhere else," he added.

"Three people have died after drinking Ayurvedic syrup, while preliminary investigations into the other 2 deaths suggest that they did not drink this syrup. Further investigation is on," Gujarat DGP Vikas Sahay told reporters.

According to Kheda SP Rajesh Ghadiya, the syrup was bought by 55 individuals in Bilodra from the same store. "We have tracked down all 55 customers who bought the syrup from this store and interrogated its proprietor. Right now, his own father is also being treated for anxiety at the civil hospital. The remaining individuals who ingested the syrup are doing well. We are looking into whether there was another reason for the deaths," he said.

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All-woman counting booths in tribal heartland

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

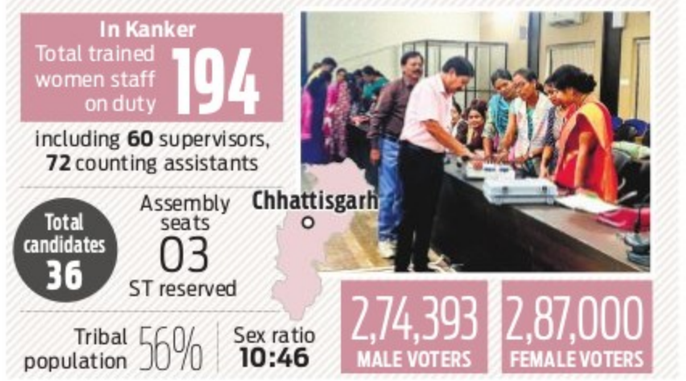
IN a pioneering move, Kanker, Chhattisgarh, is set to make history on December 3 as women take charge of the entire vote counting process in all three Scheduled Tribe reserved constituencies of the district. The decision by the Kanker administration, led by Collector Dr. Priyanka Shukla, aims to underscore the commitment to inclusive and participative elections in a region with a significant tribal population.

Despite Maoist threats, Kanker achieved an unprecedented 80 percent average voter turnout in the three assembly segments. The decision to entrust the counting process entirely to women is not only groundbreaking but also aligns with the district's demographics, where there are 12,607 more women registered as voters than men, and 9,016 more women exercised their franchise.

Dr. Priyanka Shukla emphasized the symbolic significance of the initiative, conveying a message of gender equality and showcasing that women are fully capable of succeeding in their assigned roles. A total of 194 well-trained women employees will be involved in the counting process, ranging from the district election officer (collector) to supervisors, counting assistants, and even peons.

"We have taken the initiative to hand over the command of counting of votes to women only. This carries a message of gender equality implying they too are capable to succeed in their assigned roles and responsibilities. A total of 194 women employees will be on duty, right from counting of votes to announcements of results," said the collector.

In each of the three assembly segments, 48 women gazetted officers will supervise the counting of votes from Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), and 12 will oversee the counting of postal ballots. Additionally, 48 women will serve as counting assistants for EVMs, and 21 for postal ballots. Sixty-two female staff members have been assigned the duty of transporting EVMs to the counting tables, while two women officers will announce the results.



48 women officers to supervise counting

In a nod to modernization, LED screens have replaced blackboards to display real-time details during the counting process, marking a technological advancement in the electoral proceedings. In each of the three assembly segments, 48 women gazetted officers will supervise the counting of votes from EVMs, and 12 will oversee the counting of postal ballots. A total of 194 well-trained women employees will be involved in the counting process.

The Election Commission of India applauded Kanker's innovative initiatives, including setting up India's first Rainbow polling station for third-gender electors during an earlier election phase. Notably, this booth not only saw higher voter turnout but also fostered a sense of pride among voters, irrespective of their gender identity.

This historic move toward gender equality in the electoral process reflects Kanker's ongoing commitment to fostering inclusive and representative governance.

Suspense continues over relocation of 210 families in Palamu Tiger Reserve

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE old battle resumes: Humans versus Nature. This time, the crosshairs of tigers at the Palamu Tiger Reserve aim at villages that have endured in the vicinity for generations. As the deadline for the relocation of villagers at the Palamu Tiger Reserve (PTR) approaches, suspense envelops the fate of 210 families residing in two villages within the reserve.

The villagers rejected relocation, citing alleged deviations from promises made by forest officials in 2017. In response, PTR Director Kumar Ashutosh has penned a letter urging local representatives, including the MP and MLA, to intervene and form a committee to address the contentious issue.

Eight villages, earmarked for relocation outside the tiger reserve, include Latu and Kujrum, slated for the initial phase. The PTR's relocation policy designates each 18-year-old male member as a single family, eligible for either Rs 15 lakh in cash or five acres of land. However, Kujrum's Gram Pradhan reveals a discrepancy, as officials initially pledged four acres instead of the promised five, presenting a list of beneficiaries tied to the vacated forest area.

Gram Pradhan Lalu Oraon has staunchly rejected this proposal, insisting on adherence to the original agreement. Furthermore, the purported 410 acres of land required for relocating Kujrum and Latu are contested, as the presented area is found to be only 205 acres. Adding to the dispute is the prospect of Jaigir's residents being accommodated in the same piece of land, a proposition met with staunch resistance.

Concerned about the gravity of the situation, PTR Director Kumar Ashutosh's letter beseeched local representatives to establish a district-level committee to decide on the land allocation for Kujrum and Latu. He underscored the villagers' landlessness, emphasising the government's lack of plans to provide them land rights, proposing instead roadside plots with essential amenities.

Emphasising the potential for the development of landless tribal families, the PTR Director contended that relocating these villages could free up 300 square km, accommodating 30 tigers. The impending conversion of the vacated area into forests and grasslands, facilitated by bulldozers, aligns with the PTR's mission to preserve its 1129.93 square km expanse, with a core area of 414.08 square km housing the contested villages.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that our Client intent to purchase the residential **Site Property No. 545,** in the layout formed by University Engineering College Staff House Building Co-operative Society, situated at 2nd Cross Road, 1st Block, 1st Stage, Basaveshwaranagara, Bangalore-79, which is morefully described in the schedule hereunder as Schedule Property from its Owner **Sri.Ganesh S.Sompur** S/o. Sri. S.N. Gowrishanker, (the GPA Holder for his son) residing at No.687, 2nd 'B' Cross, 9th Main, 3rd Stage, 3rd Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-79. The owner had represented that he had lost the original sale deed dated 03/05/1977, registered as document No.392/1977-78, Book-1, Volume-3022, Pages 143 to 144, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk and also the Original Possession Certificate dated 02/07/1981 related to the Schedule Property. For the same, he had lodged the police complaint before Basaveshwaranagar Police Station on 29/11/2023. Any person / financial institutions having any right, title, claim or interest over the below mentioned Schedule Property and also if any person possess with the above mentioned original documents in their custody, may lodge their objections / claims in writing with documentary proof or if they found original documents may handover the same to the undersigned, within **SEVEN (07) days** from the date of this publication. In the event of no claim / objections being received within the stipulated period, our Client will proceed further to purchase the Schedule Property from its owner, and thereafter, no claim/s will be entertained and any claims whatsoever in nature shall not bind our Client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the vacant residential Site property No.**545,** in the layout formed by **University Engineering College Staff House Building Co-operative Society (University HBCS),** (previously in Saneguravanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk) situated at **2nd Cross Road, 1st Block, 1st Stage, Basaveshwaranagara, Bangalore-79, measuring East to West: 62 feet and North to South: 36 feet, totally measuring 2232 sq. ft.** and bounded on:

East by : 40 feet Road, West by : Site No.538, North by : Site No.546, South by : Site No: 544.

(N Shiva Kumar) Advocate / Partner
Shiva & Shiva, Advocates,
No: 11, Shiva Krupa, 2nd Floor, 19th Main,
Rajajinagar 2nd Block Bangalore - 560 010.
Ph: **080-23323131**
Place: Bangalore Date :01/12/2023

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

(Construction Organisation)
Tender Notice No.
TBM-SG-CN-2023-24-03-OT
Dated : 27-11-2023
(Two Packet System)

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Deputy Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Tambaram invites e-tender for the following works.

Name of the Work : Provision of Signaling arrangements (both Indoor and Outdoor) in connection with connectivity at Northern end of Karaikal port. **Cash Value :** ₹ 11,58,26,309.63; **Bid Security EMD :** ₹ 7,29,100/-; **Last Date and Time of submission of e-Tender through IREPS site :** 19-12-2023; **Cost of Tender Document :** ₹ 0; **Period of Completion in month(s) :** 10 Months.

Tenderers can view full details of tender and submit their offer at the e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** of Indian Railways.

The supply/work is subject to GST rules applicable from time to time

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **Mrs. Jyothy Amarnath** is intent to purchase the Site/Plot No.9, in Property No.79, Old Property No.16/A and 16/B, Old House List Katha No.168/3, Situated at Kyalasanahalli, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Measuring on the East Side 52.6 feet, on the West Side 53 feet , on the North Side 32 feet and on the South Side 32 feet, in all measuring 1688 Sq.feet and bounded on the

East by : Plot No.10;
West by : Plot No.8;
North by : Private Property;
South by : Private Road;

from it's present Owner Mr. Joson Joseph Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections/claims with documentary evidence within 8 days from this day to the undersigned. In the absence of any claims within the above said period. it shall be deemed that there are no such claims or that if there are any claims and they have not been made, it shall be deemed to have been waived.

SRI VINAYAKA ASSOCIATES, Advocates
No.999/8, Second Floor,5th Cross,
ORR,Horamavu, Bangalore-560 043.
Mob: 9591720993.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RAYAGADA (R&B) CIRCLE, RAYAGADA

e-mail ID - sepwd_rgda@yahoo.com
Phone/Fax No.- 06856 - 223049

e-Procurement Notice

Bid Identification No. C.C.E (R&B) RGDA- 15/ 2023-2024 (Online)
No.1616 Date. 21.11.2023

B-1360 **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

1.	The Chief Construction Engineer, Rayagada (R&B) Circle, Rayagada on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids in double cover mode to be received in online mode only for the construction of works as detailed in the table below:		
2.	Nature of work	:	Bridge Work
3.	No. of works	:	01 (One) no. of work
4.	Estimated Cost. (Approximately)	:	Rs. 343.07 Lakhs
5.	Bid Cost (Online)	:	Rs. 10,000/- (each)
6.	EMD/ Bid Security Amount (Online)	:	One Percentage of the Estimated Cost.
7.	Class of Contractor	:	A calss as per Financial Eligibility.
8.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	11.00 Hrs of Dt. 01.12.2023 to 17.00 Hrs of Dt. 10.12.2023
9.	Date of opening of Bid	:	11.00 Hrs of Dt. 11.12.2023.
10.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersorissa.gov.in. Any Addendum/Corrigendum/cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website. The authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereof.		

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer,
Rayagada (R&B) Circle, Rayagada

OIPR-34154/11/0021/2324

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL MAHILA (J.M.LEVEL), DINDIGUL
D.V.O.P.No. 61/2022

Mrs. B.Kohila, D/o. Balasubramanian, W/o. Ashok, 20/1, Malligai Nagar, Gopal Nagar Extension, Dindigul, Tamilnadu
...Petitioner

Vs

1. K.Sudahar, S/o. Karuppaiah, 108, Srinivasa Residency, Nagaraj Layout, Vijay nagar, White Field, Bangaluru - 560 066, Karnataka State. **2. S.Geetha, W/o. Sudahar,** 108, Srinivasa Residency, Nagaraj Layout, Vijay Nagar, White Field, Bangaluru - 560 066, Karnataka State. ...Respondents No. 2 & 3

The above D.V.O.P was filed against the respondents and the case is pending before the learned Additional Mahila Court (J.M. Level), Dindigul, Tamilnadu. The Hon'ble Court was pleased to order substituted service for your appearance returnable by **20.12.2023.** Therefore, kindly take notice that you should appear in person on the said date **20.12.2023 at 10.30 a.m.** before the Additional Mahila Court (J.M. Level), Dindigul, Tamilnadu, failing which the matter will be heard and decided in your absence.

M.KANNAPPAN,
M.S.171/82
Counsel for the Petitioner
14A, Roman Mission 2nd Lane,
Y.M.R. Patti, Dindigul
30.11.2023

उत्तर प्रदेश आयुर्विज्ञान विश्वविद्यालय, सैफई, इटावा (उ.प्र.)

Uttar Pradesh University of Medical Sciences, Saifai, Etawah - 206130 (U.P.)
Phone: 05688-276591 Website: www.upums.ac.in

Ref.: 3477/UPUMS/Recruitment Cell/2023-24 Dated: 30.11.2023

Corrigendum/Addendum

विश्वविद्यालय के रिक्त गैर शैक्षणिक पदों पर आवेदन हेतु विज्ञापन संख्याः **34/UPUMS/Recuritment Cell/2023-24 (Common Recruitment Test (CRT) Through online medium 2023-24** दैनिक समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित किया गया था जिसमें विभिन्न पदों की शैक्षणिक योग्यता एवं अर्हता में संशोधन किया गया है तथा **स्टेनोग्राफर** के रिक्त पदों को भी विज्ञापित किया जा रहा है।

पदों की संख्या, अर्हता, आवेदन की तिथि, प्रक्रिया तथा अन्य विवरण विश्वविद्यालय की वेबसाइट **www.upums.ac.in** पर देखा जा सकता है।

कुलसचिव

भा.कृ.अनु.प. - गन्ना प्रजनन संस्थान,
ICAR - SUGARCANE BREEDING INSTITUTE
कोयम्बत्तूर / **COIMBATORE - 641 007**
तमिलनाडु / **TAMILNADU**
Phone: 0422-2472621 Fax: 0422-2472923
E-Mail: director.sbi@icar.gov.in Web:https://sugarcane.icar.gov.in
ग.प्र.स.

F.No.3-58/2022-2023/Stores Dated:01.12.2023

e-Tender notice

Online Bids, under two bid systems, on behalf of the Director, ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore - 641007 are invited from interested registered/ well-established/reputed agencies/firms through GeM for Supply and installation of Controlled condition Growth Chamber facility for Sugarcane at the ICAR- Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore - 641007. For more details, please visit GeM Portal (https://gem.gov.in) [Bid Number: GEM/2023/B/4207081 dated 14.11.2023] and website of this Institute https://sugarcane.icar.gov.in.

-sd/-
Administrative Officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client namely **Sri. A. Earanna** S/o. Anandappa K, aged about 35 years, Residing at: No. 60, Kattigenahalli, Siddeshwara Layout, Bangalore North, Bengaluru -560064, he is intend to purchasing the schedule property from the land owner of the schedule property namely **SRI. K. RANGANNA** S/o. Late. Doddanna @ Kempanna, aged about 46 years, R/at: No. 75, Siddeshwara Layout, Kattigenahalli, Yelahanka Post, Bangalore Karnataka-560064 AND **SRI. MANJUNATH .K** S/o. Late Doddanna @ Kempanna, aged about 37 years, R/at: Kattigenahalli, Yelahanka Post, Bangalore Karnataka-560064, they are the absolute owner, in lawful possession and interest of the schedule property. Any person/s who claims any right, title or interest of any nature or any lien/charge or enforceable right in relation to the schedule property has any objection of any nature to the transaction should lodge such claim/objection in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within 15 days thereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claim/s or objections subsists and our client would proceed to complete the sale transaction with the present owner thereof subject to compliance of statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of property Residential vacant Site bearing **No. 7, the property comes under Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Assessment No. 23, measuring east to west: 40 feet and North to South 43.5 feet, total measuring 1740 Square Feet, situated at: Kattigenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli,** earlier Bangalore North Taluk, which is having the following boundaries: **East by :** 30 ft Road, **West by:** Sy No. 22, **North by:** Site No. 6, **South by :** Site No. 8.

MURTHY A, Advocate
No. 1, 5th Main, Opp. Big Market & ICICI Bank, Bagalur Main Road, Vinayakanagar, IAF Post, Bangalore-63.
Phone: 96205 11295.
My Client Phone No: 96329 09634.

FORM NO.17

BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER -1 DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BANGALORE

4th FLOOR, BSNL BUILDING, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU-560001

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

(See Section 53 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Financial Institutions Act, 1993, read with II Schedule to the Income-tax Act, 1961)

DRC.No.3223,TRC No 447/2017 in /OA 10/2003

BETWEEN:
KARNATAKA BANK, Bengaluru -Jayangar 9th Block Branch ...**APPLICANT**
AND
M/s. Padmavathi Enterprises & Others ...**DEFENDANTS**
TO
1) M/s.Padmavathi Enterprises, Represented by its partners:
a) Mr.Shanker .A. Nagar, b) Mr.Raghavendra.S.Nagar,
No.3,10th Cross, 3rd Main Road, Byrasandra, Jayanagar 1st Block East, Bengaluru-560011.
2) Mr.Shanker.A. Nagar, S/o.Mr. Anantharao Nagar, No.3, 10th Cross, 3rd Main Road, Byrasandra, Jayanagar 1st Block East, Bengaluru- 560011.
Also at : C/o.Mr.C.S.Srinivasan, No.7/20, Gurukrupa, 2nd Main, Byrasanrda Jayanagar 1 Block East, Bengaluru- 560011.
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Also at : C/o.Mr.C.S.Srinivasan, No.7/20, Gurukrupa, 2nd Main, Byrasanrda Jayanagar 1 Block East, Bengaluru- 560011.
4) P. Rathnam (Since deceased) S/o late P. Gounder, No.5, 1st Cross, Pipeline Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020.
5) Mr.R.Krishnan, S/o Mr.Periswamy Gounder, No.5, 1st Cross, Pipeline Sheshadri puram, Bengaluru-560020.

Whereas in execution of Certificate **No.3223 dated 21.5.2004 in OA No.10/2003** drawn by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore, the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned immovable property.

You are hereby informed that the 15th day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof.

You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable house property bearing old No.9, new No.5, situated at 1st cross road, pipeline, Malleshwaram, Division No.7, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 35 feet, North to South 75 feet and bounded on

Boundaries: East by: Shanbhog inamthi land, **West by:** Property bearing No.10, **North by :** Road, **South by:** Private property.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal, this **20th day of November 2017.**

Sd/- Recovery Officer -I
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE, is hereby given that **RAJANISH AGARWAL**, S/o Late. Brijendra Kumar, aged about 60 years is the owner of Schedule Property admeasuring 960.75 sq.mtrs (10,340 sq.ft.) formed in the private layout known as **'JADE GARDEN ANNEXE**, situated at Sadahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore North.

NOTICE is further given that Mr. Vinod Jain, S/o of B. Shantilal, aged about 57 years has proposed to acquire the right, title and interest of the Schedule Property by purchasing the same from Rajanish Agarwal.

All persons having any claim in respect of Schedule Property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, maintenance, easement, bequest, encumbrance or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing along with documentary proof to the undersigned office, **GKM Associates**, Advocates, No.205, 2nd Floor, Ahuja Chambers, No.1, Kumara Krupa Road, Bengaluru-560001, within 14 (Fourteen) days from the date of publication of hereof, failing which, the transaction will be completed without reference to any such alleged claim and any such claims shall be disregarded and deemeded to have been waived and/or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY
SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of site No. 121 bearing now new KS.No. 227/121 admeasuring 960.75 sq.mtrs (10,340 sq.ft.) formed in the private layout known as **'JADE GARDEN ANNEXE'**, situated at Sadahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore North and is bounded on the:

East By : Internal Road measuring on the side 31.50 Mtrs, West By : Site bearing no: 122 measuring on the side 31.50 Mtrs., North By : Site bearing no: 131 measuring on the side 30.50 Mtrs., South By : Internal Road measuring on that side 30.50 Mtrs.

For GKM Associates, Advocates,
G.K Bhavana,
No.205, 2nd Floor, Ahuja Chambers, No.1, Kumara Krupa Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Email: contact@gkm-associates.in
Mob: 9845435654

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT II)

4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.
OA NO. 82/2020

BETWEEN:
STATE BANK OF INDIA, Represented by its Chief Manager, Mr. Venkataramana Das, Asset Recovery Management Branch (ARMB),
BKG Complex, Mysore Bank Circle,
Avenue Road, Bangalore-560009.
Email Id: sbi.40564@sbi.co.in
Pan No: AAACS8577K
IFSC Code: SBIN0040007
Mobile No: 9448990277 **... APPLICANT**

AND :
M/s SLV POLYMERS, REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETRIX MJ GAYATHRI
...**DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 TO THE DEFENDANTS THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To.
1. M/s SLV Polymers, Represented by its Proprietrix, SMT. MJ Gayathri, #73, Govardhan Garden, Yelanchenahalli, J.C. Industrial Area, Kanakapura Road, Bangalore -560062,
PAN: ANHPM2869D.
Mobile No: 9902098679
2. SMT. MJ Gayathri, (Proprietrix representing Defendant No.1)
#73, Govardhan Garden, Yelanchenahalli, J.C. Industrial Area, Kanakapura Road, Bangalore-560062. ...**DEFENDANTS**

1. Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of the recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.25,65,602/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred and Two Only).**
2. The above mentioned Defendant No.3 is directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or duly authorized agent in support of your defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or **on 15.01.2024 at 11.00 AM** as to why relief/s prayed should not be granted.
3. Take notice that all in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence, Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on **31st day of Oct, 2023 at Bangalore.**

By order of Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debt Recovery Tribunal-II

FORM NO.16

BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER -1 DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BANGALORE

4th FLOOR, BSNL BUILDING, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU-560001

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

DRC.No.3223,TRC No 447/2017 in /OA 10/2003

BETWEEN:
KARNATAKA BANK, Bengaluru -Jayangar 9th Block Branch ...**APPLICANT**
AND
M/s. Padmavathi Enterprises & Others ...**DEFENDANTS**
TO
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5) Mr.R.Krishnan, S/o Mr.Periswamy Gounder, No.5, 1st Cross, Pipeline Sheshadri puram, Bengaluru-560020.

Whereas Certificate Debtors mentioned above were ordered as per Recovery Certificate of this Tribunal passed on the **day 21-5-2004** in **O.A. No. 10/2003** to pay the Karnataka Bank Ltd, Bengaluru-Jayanagar 9th Block Branch **Rs.3,97,51,819.00 (interest calculated upto 20-11-2017 from 31-12- 2002)**plus interest from 21.11.2017 and costs has not been paid.

This is to command you to attach the immovable property of as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed and unless the said shall pay to you the above said sum and the costs of this attachment, to hold th same until further orders from the Recovery Officer.

You are further commanded to return this warrant on or before the **6/12/17** with an endorsement certifying the day on which and manner in which it has been executed or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE

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Boundaries: East by: Shanbhog inamthi land, **West by:** Property bearing No.10, **North by :** Road, **South by:** Private property.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal, this **20th day of November 2017.**

Sd/- Recovery Officer -I
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable Properties)

Whereas the Authorised Officer of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrowers to repay the amounts mentioned against their respective name together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of publication of the said Notice, along with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

S. No.	Loan Account No. / Selling Bank Name / Borrower / Co-Borrower Name	Total Outstanding (In Rs)/ Due Date	Date & Type of Possession
1	1. M/s Vishal Steel Tubes 2. Mr. Gulshan Kumar Rawal (Guarantor) 3. Mr. Nikhil Rawal (Guarantor) 4. Mrs. Sunita Rawal (Guarantor)	Rs. 2,16,71,048.12 as on 29-05-2018	28-11-2023 & Symbolic Possession

Description of Property: Property owned by: Mr. Gulshan Kumar Rawal, S/o Sri Wazir Chand Rawal (Sale Deed Document No.2883/1997)
Schedule "A" Property:- All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site No 13, situated in 9th Cross, West Park Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003 admeasuring 123 x 35 in all 4305 sq.ft with dilapidated house of 300 Sq.ft and **Bounded by: North:** Road, **South:** Private Property, **East:** Private Property, **West:** Road.
Schedule "B" Flat:- (Under construction by the purchaser through Developers and therefore not a subject matter of this Sale Deed)
Flat No.C. 303 on the Second Floor, consisting of living cum dining room, four bed rooms, kitchen, toilet, balcony and common areas attributable thereto with a super build up area of 1730 Sq.ft along with a car parking in the basement attached to this Flat and shall form part thereof.

The borrowers mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and to the public in general that the Authorized Officer of **ARCIL** has taken **Symbolic Possession** of the properties/ Secured Assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules. The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties / Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of ARCIL and interest thereon. The Borrowers/ Mortgagors / Guarantors attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 01-12-2023 **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD.
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai-400028. **Tel: +91 2266581300. www.arcil.co.in**
Branch Address: 3rd Floor, Vishishta Arcade, # 2243, 23rd Cross, Banashankari, 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070, Karnataka, Tel:- 080-25598054, Mob: 8073722285. **CIN-U65999MH2002PLC134884**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd, Landmark Building, 4th Floor, 228A, AJC Bose Road, Kolkata 700020 CIN No: L65190GJ1994PLC021012, www.icicibank.com

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Sandhya Roy/ Amit Roy/ Panchanatala Road Panihati M, Natagarh, Sodepur 24 PGS N, Sodepur West Bengal Kolkata- 700113/ LBCAL00004745033	"Sova Tower", Flat No. T-1, North Western Side, Third Floor, Municipal Holding No. 3 of Subhas Road, Plot No. 2, J.L. No. 15, R.S. No. 101, R.S. Dag No. 1761, R.S. Khatian No. 31, Touzi No. 155, Ward No. 22, Panihati Municipality, Mouza Natagarh, P.S. Ghola, Dist. North 24 Parganas, West Bengal (Admeasuring An Area of 675 Sq. Ft. Super Built Up Area More or Less	October 19, 2023 Rs. 9,92,511/-	06-08-2023

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : December 01, 2023 **Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

Registered Office: 27BKC, C-27, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai- 400051 Branch Office: No.22, KOTAK House, Next to Trinity Metro M.G. Road | Bangalore – 560 001 | Karnataka.

Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) Of The SARFAESI Act, 2002

You the below mentioned borrower and co-borrowers have availed loan(s) from bank/financial institution, more particular described hereunder by mortgaging your immovable properties (securities) and defaulted in repayment of the same. Consequent to your defaults, your loans were classified as non-performing assets and said loan accounts alongwith all rights, titles & interests, benefits dues receivables have been assigned in favour of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited vide separate deeds of assignment mentioned hereunder, the bank has pursuant to the said assignment and for the recovery of the outstanding dues, issued demand notice under section 13(2) of the securitization and reconstruction of financial asset and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 (the act), the contents of which are being published herewith as per section 13(2) of the act read with rule 3(1) of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002 as and by way of alternate service upon you. Details of the borrower, co-borrowers, securities, lender, outstanding dues, demand notice sent under section 13(2) and amount claimed there under are given as under:

Name And Address Of The Borrower, Co-Borrower Loan Account No., Loan Amount	Details Of The Immovable Property	1. Date Of Possession 2. Type of Possession 3. Demand Notice Date 4. Amount Due In Rs.
Mr. Kumar B S/O Mr. Basavaraj & Mrs. Latha Bn W/O Mr. Kumar B Both At: R/O – H.No.- 90/1, Kengeri Kotte, Vidya Peetha Road, 9th Cross, Bangalore, Karnataka-560060 **Both Also At:** No 224, Kuvempu Road, Near Bazar Street, Kengeri, Bangalore, Karnataka -60 **Both Also At:** Property Bearing No Kaneshumari No 1266, New Bbmp No Municipal No 4422/406/379/A/ 292/459, Situated At Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Kengeri Tmc, Bangalore, Karnataka -560060 **Loan Account Number:** PR00404309 **Loan Amount Sanctioned:** Rs.25,75,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Only).	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing No Kaneshumari No 1266, New BBMP No Municipal No 4422/406/379/A/292/459, Situated At Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Kengeri TMC, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently Comes Under Theunder The Limits Of BBMP, And Bounded On The East By: 4 Feet Road, West By: Mr. Marappa House,North By: 4 Feet Common Road Of Same Property, South By: Mr. Chinnappa's House Measuring East To West 56 Feet And North To South 21 Feet **Name Of The Mortgagors:** MR. KUMAR B	1.Karvy Financial Services Limited. 2. 14.03.2019 3. 23.08.2023 4.Rs.48,26,016.60/- (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Twenty Six Thousand Sixteen And Sixty Paisa Only) Due And Payable As Of 23.08.2023 With Applicable Interest From 24.08.2023 Until Payment In Full

You the borrower and co-borrower/s are therefore called upon to make payment of the above mentioned demanded amount with further interest as mentioned hereinabove in full within 60 days of this notice failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to take action under the act to enforce the above-mentioned securities. Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the act by virtue of which you are at liberty to redeem the secured asset within period stipulated in the aforesaid provision. Please note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained from transferring the above-referred securities by way of sale, lease or otherwise without our consent.

Place: Kengeri, Date: 01.12.2023 **For Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., Authorized Officer**

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE (UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice For Sale of Immovable Asset Charged to the Bank Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("Sarfaesi Act") Read with rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("Rules").

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower, Guarantor(s) and Mortgagor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/ charged (collectively referred as "Property") to **RBL Bank Ltd. ("Secured Creditor/Bank")**, the **physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank under section 13(4) & section 14 of the SARFAESI Act read with the Rules, as detailed hereunder, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is"** and **"Without Recourse Basis"** on **09.01.2024,** for recovery of the Bank's outstanding dues plus interest as detailed hereunder under Rules 8 and 9 of the Rules by inviting bids as per below e-auction schedule:

Brief Description of Parties, Outstanding dues and Property

Sl. No	Name of the Borrower & Guarantor(s)	Details of Property	Amount as per Demand Notice Date of Demand & Possession Notice under SARFAESI Act	Inspection Date and Time	Reserve Price EMD Bid Increase Amount	Date / Time of e-Auction	Last Date for Receipt of Bids alongwith documents	Name of Authorised Officer/ Phone No./ Email Id
1	**1) M/s. Majestic Distributors,** No.4, Ground Floor, 13th Cross, Khilari Road, Karnataka, Bangalore-560053 **(Borrower). 2) Mr. Dhiraj Kerjiwal,** 1054, Prestige South Ridge, Sy.No.20, 4th Cross Road, Dattatreya Nagar, Next to NCERT, Banashankri 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085 **(Co-Borrower, Mortgagor & Guarantor). 3) Mr. Nidhi Kejriwal,** No.1054, Prestige South Ridge, Sy.No.20, 4th Cross Road, Dattatreya Nagar, Next to NCERT, Banashankri 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085 **(Co-Borrower, Guarantor & Mortgagor). 4) Mr. Sushil Kejriwal,** No.1054, Prestige South Ridge, Sy.No.20, 4th Cross Road, Dattatreya Nagar, Next to NCERT, Banashankri 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085 **(Co-Borrower).**	**Schedule-'A':** All that Property bearing Municipal No.20 (Old No.125/43) 4th Cross, Dattatreya Nagar, Muncipal Ward No.55 of Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore and all admeasuring 4,13,682 Sq.ft. Area and **Bounded as under: East by:** Public Road, **West by:** Public Road, **North by:** Property belonging to Bangalore Authority and **South by:** Private Properties earlier owned by Sri Lakshmaih and Sri. S Narayana Rao. **Shedule 'B' Property:** 1524 Sq.ft undivided share, right, interest and ownership in Schedule "A" Property.	**Rs.3,14,60,421.20** (Rupees Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Sixty Thousand Four Hundred Twenty One and Twenty Paisa Only) **as on 05.10.2021 Date of Demand Notice: 05.10.2021 Date of Physical Possession: 26.10.2023**	**05.01.2024 between1 01:00 P.M. to 02:30 P.M.**	**Reserve Price: Rs.3,36,39,000/-** (Rupees Three Crore Thirty Six Lakhs and Thirty Nine Thousand Only) **EMD: Rs.33,63,900/-** (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand and Nine Hundred Only) **Increase Amount: Rs.50,000/-** (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)	**09.01.2024 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.** with unlimited extensions of 5 min. Each	**Onor Before 08.01.2024 upto 05:00 P.M.**	**MR. BASAVARAJ NAGANURI/ 9740092100/ Basavaraj. Naganuri@ rblbank.com**

Terms and Conditions: (1) The E-Auction Sale will be online through e-auction portal. The interested bidders are advised to go through the detailed terms and conditions of auction available on the website of **https://www.bankeauctions.com** & **https://www.rblbank.com/pdf-pages/news** before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction. **(2)** It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the Property and specification before submitting the bid. **(3)** The interested bidders shall submit their EMD details and documents through Web Portal: **https://www.bankeauctions.com** (the user ID & Password can be obtained free ofcost by registering name with **https://www.bankeauctions.com**) through Login ID & Password. The EMD shall be payable through Demand Draft, issued by a Scheduled commercial Bank favouring "Authorised Officer, **RBL Bank Ltd", before 05:00 PM** on or before **08.01.2024. (4)** Interested bidders may avail support/ online training on E-Auction from **M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd., Contact No.7291981124/ 25/ 26. Contact Person Mr. Vinod Chauhan - Mob No.9813887931, e-mail-Id:delhi@c1india.com** and for any query in relation to Property, they may contact **Mr. Basavaraj Naganuri, Authorised Officer (Mob. No.9740092100, email: Basavaraj.Naganuri@rblbank.com. (5)** The Authorised Officer of the Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, & / or to postpone/ cancel the auction at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever and his decisionin this regard shall be final and binding.

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT

The Borrower, Guarantor and Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the aforementioned sum along with further interest thereon plus penal and other interest and am

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Dhaka	32	27	SNY	Moscow	21	8	HR
Dubai	39	31	SNY	New York	26	16	LC
Houston	31	23	SNY	Singapore	32	27	SNY
Istanbul	29	17	SNY	Toronto	19	11	LC
London	24	13	LC	Washington	27	14	SNY

The iconic diplomat who moulded post-war US foreign ties

Major moments of Henry Kissinger, who served both as national security advisor and secretary of state to presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford

Henry Kissinger (right) meets with Mao Zedong on November 24, 1973 during his landmark trip to China

Kissinger was one of the trusted few in former US president Richard Nixon's (right) tight circle

FROM REFUGEE TO TOP U.S. DIPLOMAT

- **May 27, 1923:** Birth of Heinz Alfred Kissinger at Fuerth in Bavaria into a German Jewish family
- **1938:** Emigrates at the age of 15 to the United States with his family to flee the Nazi regime, settling in New York
- **1943:** Drafted into the army, going on to work in an intelligence unit tasked with identifying Nazis in occupied Germany
- **1954:** Graduates at Harvard University with a doctorate in political science
- **1957:** His first book, *Nuclear Weapons and Foreign Policy*, is an instant best-seller
- **1969-1975:** National security adviser for Republican presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford
- **1971:** Secretly flies to China and meets Prime Minister Zhou Enlai, paving the way for Nixon's 1972 breakthrough trip to the communist giant
- **1973-1977:** Secretary of State for Nixon and Ford
- **1973:** Awarded Nobel Peace Prize jointly with Vietnam's Le Duc Tho for negotiating an end to the Vietnam war
- **November 29, 2023:** Dies at the age of 100 at his home in Connecticut

2 more Israelis freed under extended truce

US Secretary of State Blinken says temporary ceasefire producing results, urges Israel to extend it further

JERUSALEM

MILITANT group Hamas released two more Israeli women hostages on Thursday with more Palestinian prisoners to be freed under an extended truce that has paused weeks of deadly conflict.

With the current truce set to expire early Friday, international bodies have called for a lasting halt to the violence, sparked by deadly Hamas attacks on Israel that prompted it to mount a devastating assault on the Gaza Strip.

US Secretary of State Anthony Blinken met with Israeli and Palestinian leaders to seek a longer pause that would allow further prisoner-hostage exchanges and more aid for displaced civilians in Gaza.

The Israeli military said on Thursday at least two women hostages had been returned from Gaza after being released to the Red Cross by Hamas.

More were expected to be transferred "in the next few hours", it said. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office named the two as French-Israeli dual national Mia Shem, 21, and Amit Soussana, 40.

Israel is due to release more Palestinian prisoners in turn, after the sides agreed to extend the pause in combat operations until Friday.

International bodies have called for more time to allow medical supplies, food and fuel into the besieged Gaza Strip after fierce combat and bombardments sparked by Hamas's bloody October 7 attacks on Israel.

"We have seen over the last week the very positive development of hostages coming home, being reunited with their families," Blinken said at a meeting with Israeli President Isaac Herzog in Tel Aviv.

"It's also enabled an increase in humanitarian assistance to go to innocent civilians in Gaza who need it desperately. So this process is producing results. It's important, and we hope that it can continue."

Blinken later told Netanyahu it was "imperative" to protect civilians in southern Gaza "before any military operations there".

The latest extended truce had been due to end at 0500 GMT Thursday, but the Israeli army said the "operational pause" would continue as international mediators negotiate the release of hostages held by Hamas. *Agencies*

Palestinian activist Ahed Tamimi (centre) in the West Bank town of Ramallah after she was released from prison by Israel on Thursday | AP

Hamas attack kills 3 Israelis in West Bank

JERUSALEM

HAMAS claimed responsibility for a shooting attack in Jerusalem that killed three people on Thursday, shortly after the extension of a truce between Israel and the Islamist group that rules Gaza.

Police said the two gunmen who carried out the attack were from annexed east Jerusalem and were shot dead at the scene, near a bus stop on the western side of the city, where there are no checkpoints controlling entry.

"Two terrorists arrived in a car, one of them armed with an M-16 and the other with a pistol," and opened fire, Jerusalem police chief Doron Torgeman told reporters.

The two gunmen were shot dead "after the attack by two off-duty IDF (Israeli army) soldiers and another civilian who fired at them", police said in a statement. "A police search of the terrorists' car revealed ammunition and weaponry," it added. Police identified those killed as a 73-year-old rabbi, Elimelech Waserman, along with Hana Ifergan, 67, and Livia Dikman, 24.

In a statement issued hours later claiming responsibility, Hamas called the attack "a natural response to the unprecedented crimes of the occupier in the Gaza Strip and against children in Jenin", in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

Meanwhile, two Israeli soldiers were slightly injured in a ramming attack at a checkpoint in the West Bank, the army said, adding "soldiers at the scene shot and neutralised the assailant". "The soldiers were evacuated to a hospital to receive medical treatment," it said in a statement, noting forces were "searching the area for additional suspects".

CRACKDOWN

Russia bans movement for LGBT rights, calls it extremist

MOSCOW

RUSSIA on Thursday banned the "international LGBT movement," claiming it was an extremist group in a move that cements a long crackdown on the community as the Kremlin pushes ultra-conservative social values.

The conservative turn promoted by President Vladimir Putin — often portrayed as an existential fight against Western liberal values — has accelerated since the offensive in Ukraine. The supreme court handed down the ruling in Moscow on Thursday, AFP journalists in court reported.

The court did not say whether certain individuals or organisations would be affected by the ruling.

Judge Oleg Nefedov ruled that "the international LGBT public movement and its subdivisions" were extremist, and issued a "ban on its activities on the territory of Russia".

The hearing took place behind closed doors and without any defence present. Fewer than 10 people had gathered outside the court. "I hoped more people would come (to show support), but very few people came," said Ada Blakewell, a journalist. "It shows how scared everyone is... to talk about anything related to LGBTQ people." *AFP*

Chinese influence networks targeting US polls, Meta says

SAN FRANCISCO

META on Thursday warned that deceptive online campaigns based in China were taking aim at 2024 elections in the US and elsewhere.

The tech giant behind Facebook and Instagram said it has taken down five coordinated influence networks out of China this year. "Foreign threat actors are attempting to reach people across the Internet ahead of next year's elections, and we need to remain alert," Meta global threat intelligence lead Ben Nimmo said during a briefing about its latest security report.

Meta said that it removed 4,789 Facebook fake accounts that were part of one campaign posting about national politics and relations with China. The accounts in the network praised China; bashed its critics, and copy-pasted real online posts by US politicians with the potential to stoke partisan divisions, according to the threat report.

"As election campaigns ramp up, we should expect foreign influence operations to try and leverage authentic parties and debate rather than creating original content themselves," Nimmo said. "We anticipate that if relations with China become an election topic in a particular country, we may see China-based influence operations pivot to target those debates."

Meta tracked the source of the networks to China, but did not attribute them to the government. The most prolific source of such networks continues to be Russia, with operations based in that country focusing primarily on undermining support for its war against Ukraine, according to Meta.

Websites associated with Russia-based campaigns recently shifted to using the war between Hamas and Israel to tarnish the image of the US, the security report indicated. Meta's security team expects efforts to sway coming elections to include bogus "leaks" of supposedly hacked material. The company has already seen influence campaigns try to "hijack" heated political narratives, according to the security team. "For political groups, it's important to be aware that heightened partisan tensions can play into the hands of foreign threat actors," Nimmo said.

Online deception campaigns extend beyond Meta to other social networks, blogs, chat forums, and websites, according to the security report. *AFP*

Bangladesh opposition boycotts 'farcical' elections

DHAKA

BANGLADESH'S main opposition officially boycotted upcoming general elections Thursday, removing the only party that could have offered a realistic challenge to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's fourth consecutive term in power.

The Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), warning that thousands of its members had been arrested in a sweeping crackdown, said it had not applied to contest a single seat on the last day of filing candidate nominations for January polls.

"We are boycotting the election," A K M Wahiduzzaman, a spokesman of the party, told AFP. "We remained steadfast to our stand that we will not take part in any election with Sheikh Hasina in power".

The BNP and other parties have held mass protests calling on Hasina to quit power and let a neutral government run the polls, demands the government has said are unconstitutional.

Human Rights Watch warned Monday of a "violent autocratic crackdown", with almost 10,000 opposition activists arrested and at least 16 people killed since protests escalated in October, including two police officers. Wahiduzzaman, accusing Hasina of having "rigged the previous two elections", said the number arrested was even higher. "She has arrested more than 18,090 of our leaders and supporters in an unprecedented crackdown since late October 28 to rig another election," he said. "We won't join any farcical election."

Hasina has overseen massive economic growth during her 15 years in power, but there has been international alarm over democratic backsliding and thousands of extrajudicial killings.

Other key opposition parties have also said they will boycott the elections, including the Jamaat-e-Islami, the country's largest Islamist party, and the Islami Andolon Bangladesh.

Election Commission spokesman Shariful Alam said they would confirm who was participating later Thursday.

Apart from the ruling Awami League, several smaller allied parties have said they will take part. Some BNP officials are understood to have left the party hoping to contest a seat as independents. *Agencies*

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina

10-yr jail for Myanmar ex-army officer

BANGKOK

A former high-profile Myanmar army officer who had served as information minister and presidential spokesperson in a previous military-backed government has been convicted of sedition and incitement, a legal official said Thursday.

He was sentenced to 10 years in prison. Ye Htut, a 64-year old retired lieutenant colonel, is the latest in a series of people arrested and jailed for writing social media posts that allegedly spread false or inflammatory news.

Once infrequently prosecuted, there has been a deluge of such legal actions since the army seized power from the elected government of Aung San Suu Kyi in February 2021.

He was arrested in late October after a military officer from the Yangon Regional Military Command reportedly filed a change against him, around the time when some senior military officers were purged on other charges, including corruption. He was convicted on Wednesday, according to the official familiar with the legal proceedings who insisted on anonymity for fear of being punished by the authorities.

Ye Htut had been the spokesperson from 2013 to 2016 for President Thein Sein in a military-backed government and also information minister from 2014 to 2016.

After leaving the government in 2016, Ye Htut took on the role of a political commentator and wrote books and posted articles on Facebook. For a time, he was a visiting senior research fellow at the ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, a center for Southeast Asia studies in Singapore.

After the army's 2021 takeover, he often posted short personal vignettes and travel essays on Facebook in which he made allusions that were generally recognised to be critical of Myanmar's current military rulers. The army's takeover triggered mass public protests that the military responded to with lethal force, triggering armed resistance that has escalated into a civil war. *AFP*

Petitions filed to delay Pak elections over terror threat

ISLAMABAD

TWO separate petitions seeking the postponement of general elections in Pakistan on February 8 landed before the election commission, citing growing terror threats and inclement weather.

The petitions, filed by individuals hailing from the restive Balochistan province, cited security issues and snowfall in several districts as reasons to seek the postponement of elections, the *Dawn* reported.

One of the petitions filed by Meena Majeed, a general councillor from Mand tehsil of Kech district through Advocate Fatima Nazar, stated Balochistan was grappling with heightened security concerns.

"Specifically, the Mek'ran division has witnessed a surge in terrorist activities, ranging from target killings of innocent daily wage earners to alarming incidents such as IED blasts and women suicide bombing," it stated. The impact was most pronounced in districts such as Kech and Gwadar, where 61 acts of terrorism during the last three months alone claimed 32 lives, it read.

According to the plea, the challenging geographical terrain of Balochistan, characterised by scattered populations residing in far-flung villages amidst mountains adds to the complexity.

"This topography coupled with inadequate road infrastructure and poor connectivity presents a formidable obstacle to implementing effective security measures and ensuring the feasibility of free and fair elections," it added. *PTI*

Irish folk-punk band Pogues' lead singer MacGowan dies aged 65

DUBLIN

SHANE MacGowan, songwriter and lead singer of Celtic folk-punk band *The Pogues*, has died aged 65 after a long illness, his wife said on Thursday.

"Shane who will always be the light that I hold before me... has gone to be with Jesus and Mary and his beautiful mother Therese," wrote MacGowan's wife Victoria Mary Clarke in an Instagram post.

MacGowan, who had been in and out of hospital in Dublin since July, is most famous for penning the Christmas classic *Fairytale of New York*, a duet sung with Kirsty MacColl in 1987. Clarke's post did not say when he died.

Co-formed by MacGowan, the Pogues fused punk and Irish folk music. He was born in England but spent much of his childhood in Ireland with his mother's family. The band became an international symbol of Irishness, both at home and for the sprawling diaspora, with MacGowan's contribution recognised in a slew of tributes from political leaders.

"Shane will be remembered as one of music's greatest lyricists," Irish President Michael D. Higgins said in a statement. "So many of his songs would be perfectly crafted poems, if that would not have deprived us of the opportunity to hear him sing them," he said.

Taoiseach (prime minister) Leo Varadkar called MacGowan "an amazing musician and artist". "His songs beautifully captured the Irish experience, especially the experience of being Irish abroad," he wrote on X. Micheal Martin, Varadkar's deputy, said he was "devastated" by MacGowan's death, calling him "iconic". "His passing is particularly poignant at this time of year as we listen to Fairytale of New York — a song that resonates with all of us," he wrote.

The Pogues' 1988 song *Streets of Sorrow/Birmingham Six*, which recounted the plight of six Irishmen wrongly imprisoned for deadly pub bombings in Birmingham, was banned from British airwaves. The 1974 attacks that killed 21 and left scores more injured were blamed on the IRA. *AFP*

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International Competitive Bidding
e-Tender No.: ASA-02B

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ASIA MATTERS

CITY-STATE COSTLIEST PLACE TO LIVE

Singapore is among the most expensive cities in the world ahead of New York amid the ever-rising cost of living, according to rankings published Thursday by *The Economist* magazine. The city-state maintained its spot as the most expensive city in the world, tying with Zurich. Zurich dethroned New York, which topped the rankings last year as well alongside Singapore. The British weekly estimated that prices have increased an average of 7.4% over the past year in 173 major cities, a slight slowdown compared to a record 8.1% inflation in the year 2022

PRAYUT TO JOIN COUNCIL THAT ADVISES KING

Thailand's former prime minister Prayut Chan-o-Cha has been appointed to the Privy Council, a small body of advisors to the powerful King Maha Vajiralongkorn, the Royal Gazette announced Wednesday. The former general, a long-running fixture in Thai politics, took power in a 2014 coup but lost the 2023 election after heading up the United Thai Nation (UTN) party. "Using the power of the Kingdom of Thailand's Constitution..., the King has appointed Prayut Chan-o-cha as a member of the Privy Council, effectively from now," the gazette said late Wednesday

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER		FOREX		
86.53 ▲	Sensex	63,148.15	₹650 ▼	24 carat (10 gm)	₹62,880	1 kg	₹79,200	▲ Dollar	83.40
36.55 ▲	Nifty	20,133.15	₹600 ▼	22 carat (10 gm)	₹57,650	10 gm	₹792	▼ Euro	91.03

Record listing gain for Tata Tech, 3rd-best ever

Debuted at ₹1,200, within minutes jumped 180% to high of ₹1,400

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

THE shares of Tata Technologies made one of the most impressive debuts on the stock exchanges ever, listing at 140% premium to the IPO price.

The stock debuted on Thursday at ₹1,200 on the NSE and BSE, as against its issue price of ₹500. Within minutes, the shares jumped 180% to a high of ₹1,400. After some profit booking, it closed at ₹1,313 apiece, up 162.60% on the NSE.

With this bumper listing, which is way above than street expectations, Tata Technologies has given the third-best listing day closing gains in the history of the Indian capital market. Only Sigachi Industries and Paras Defence and Space Technologies (both listed in 2021) have given a better day 1 return than the Tata Technologies stock.

However, for the calendar year 2023 so far, Tata Tech, the first IPO from the Tata Group in two decades, has given the highest day 1 gain. Tata Tech's initial public offering (IPO) was fully subscribed in less than one hour after subscription opened last week. In three sessions, the issue was subscribed 69.43 times.

According to market experts, the Tata Motors-promoted company, which provides engineering and design services to automotive clients, is expected to benefit from the auto sector's transition to electric and autonomous mobility.

"It was a bumper listing above our expectation respecting the legacy of TATA brand along with investors friendly pricing indicating Tata Group legacy to reward shareholders," Prashanth Tapse, research analyst, senior VP research at Mehta Equities said. He added that given the growth potential in outsourcing, the business model would be in great demand going forward, he believes.

Meanwhile, Gandhar Oil's shares were listed at Rs 298 on the NSE as against the issue price of Rs 169, giving a listing gain of 75%. The white oil manufacturer's stock closed at Rs 301.5 apiece.

Shivani Nyati, Head of Wealth, Swastika Investmart said that the company's strong fundamentals, robust demand for the IPO, and strong listing price suggest that it is well-positioned for growth in the future. "However investors may consider to book profit in it once," she added.

Meanwhile, Fedbank Financial Services had a weak first day on the bourses, listing at Rs 137.75 on BSE, a 1.6% discount to the IPO price of ₹140. The stock ended the day at ₹140.

UltraTech to acquire Kesoram Cement

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

ULTRATECH CEMENT has acquired the cement business of Kesoram Industries Limited, making entry into the southern markets.

UltraTech Board on Thursday approved implementation of Kesoram demerger to UltraTech, country's largest cement manufacturer, and approved composite scheme for their shareholders and creditors. The deal size is not disclosed yet.

Post deal, UltraTech will issue 1 equity share for every 52 equity shares of Kesoram (face value of ₹10 each). For this, 59,74,301 new equity shares of UltraTech Cement will be issued to Kesoram shareholders. This will increase UltraTech's equity capital to ₹294.66 crore consisting of 29.47 crore equity shares of ₹10 each. This will unlock the value of the cement business and also substantially deleverage the balance sheet including reduction of debt and outflow of interest, Kesoram Industries Limited said.

Kumar Mangalam Birla, the promoter of UltraTech Cement, is also part of promoter group at Kesoram. Few entities controlled by the promoters of UltraTech Cement are a part of the promoter/ promoter group of Kesoram Industries.

The transaction is being undertaken on an arms' length basis, UltraTech said in exchange filings. It's cement business has two integrated units at Sedam, Karnataka and Basantnagar, Telangana with a total capacity of 10.75 mtpa. Out of this total capacity, 8.50 mtpa is clinker backed and 2.25 mtpa is surplus grinding capacity. It also has a 0.66 mtpa packing plant in Solapur, Maharashtra. It's turnover stood at Rs 3517.45 crores on March 31, 2023.

Upon completion, UltraTech's cement capacity will stand at 149.14 mtpa including its overseas operations. This takeover will provide UltraTech an opportunity to extend its footprint in the 'highly fragmented, competitive, and fast-growing western and southern markets', the company said in exchange a filing. It will help enhance UltraTech's reach in southern markets such as Telangana where it does not have any manufacturing plant.

JSW forms JV with SAIC Motor; picks 35% stake in MG Motor India

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AFTER months of speculation, China's largest automaker SAIC Motor and billionaire Sajjan Jindal-led JSW Group on Thursday announced forming a joint venture.

As part of the JV agreement, the Jindals are picking up a 35% stake in MG Motor India.

This development is seen as a much-needed step to aid the growth of SAIC's India unit (MG Motor). The maker of the Hector SUV has been struggling to raise funds for its future endeavours after the Indian government started scrutinising Chinese investments in the country.

Tension between India and China has remained at an elated level since troops of both sides clashed at the Galwan Valley in June 2020. Following this, India banned hundreds of Chinese apps and amended FDI rules to increase the screening of proposals made by countries that share a border.

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>
> Parth Jindal, JSW Group

Owing to this, China's Great Wall Motor (GWM) pulled out from India and abandoned its $1 billion project. Other Chinese automakers such as Futon and Changan also pulled out from the Indian market.

In May 2023, MG Motor said it is planning to sell a majority stake in its India operation to a local partner (or partners) in the next two-four years, according to its strategic five-year business.

According to JSW Group's Parth Jindal, the strategic collaboration with SAIC Motor aims to grow & transform MG Motor operations in India with a focus on green mobility solutions.

"One of the key focus areas of this joint venture will be to pursue the development of the EV ecosystem and to take a leadership position in this space. We would like to thank SAIC and MG Motor for choosing JSW as their partners of choice and look forward to building one of India's largest automobile companies together," said Jindal. Wang Xiaoqiu, President of SAIC Motor, said, "Both partners shall work closely to bring in the best of innovation, in creating greener and smarter mobility products and services for our consumers."

Govt refunds ₹700 cr under Vivad se Vishwas

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE government has settled a total of 43,904 claims with a value of about ₹700 crore under the 'Vivad Se Vishwas' scheme, which was announced during the Covid pandemic for the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), finance secretary TV Somanathan said Thursday.

Speaking to the media, he said that 4,000 claims are yet to be decided.

"This has given a substantial relief to a number of MSMEs. This also makes them eligible for further credit, supply. It's a very large number," the Secretary said. The Finance Ministry's expenditure department had launched the Vivadd se Vishwas scheme for the MSME sector which got affected during the Covid pandemic.

Dixon Tech to produce Xiaomi smartphones at Noida facility

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

DIXON TECHNOLOGIES, country's largest electronic manufacturing company, on Thursday unveiled a new unit in Noida to produce smartphones from Xiaomi.

Built with an investment of ₹256 crore, the new facility will have an annual capacity of 25 million units. "The latest manufacturing facility by Padget Electronics, the smartphone manufacturing subsidiary of Dixon Technologies, has commenced production of smartphones for global technology giant, Xiaomi India in Q3, 2023," said the company in a statement.

Dixon is a contract manufacturer, and produces consumer durables, lighting and mobile phones and others for companies like Samsung, Phillips, Xiaomi and Godrej. It is among the first companies that received the incentive of electronic manufacturing. "We believe this association will leverage our excellence and superior execution and Xiaomi's expertise and leadership in the Indian business ecosystem," said Sunil Vachani, executive Chairman at Dixon Technologies.

Dixon exported smartphones worth ₹1,200 crore smartphones in the last fiscal. This time, the company aims to double down its exports. Subsequently, the company will come up with another unit in the next few weeks. "The company is looking for large exports from the country. The telecom minister targets for $400 billion export of smartphones from the country in the next five year, and Dixon will be major contributors in it," said Sunil Vachani.

Vachani added that total India has high potential for growth in the electronics manufacturing sector. Currently, the global electronic manufacturing market is about $900 billion. India's contribution is just 2.3% or about $20 billion. "If you look at countries like Vietnam, their exports of ICT products is $120 billion. So you can imagine the kind of potential that is there. Of course the industry needs to execute well. We need to ensure that we have zero defects," said Sunil Vachani.

PLI scheme for smartphone created 5L jobs: Vaishnaw

NEW DELHI: The production linked incentive scheme for the mobile sector has created 5 lakh incremental job opportunities in the country, said telecom minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Thursday. The minister, after visiting the Dixon Technologies' new mobile manufacturing plant, also said that the country is encouraging all smartphone companies in India to export. *ENS*

Fiscal deficit at 45% of FY24 target in Apr-Oct

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE central government's fiscal deficit reached 45% of the budget target in the first seven months of the current financial year.

According to data released by the government on Thursday, the fiscal deficit of the government in April-October 2023 reached ₹8.03 lakh crore as against the full-year budget target of ₹17.87 lakh crore.

Gross tax collection of the central government in the first seven months of the current financial year stood at ₹18.35 lakh crore, showing a 14% year-on-year growth.

The government has budgeted for ₹33.60 lakh crore gross tax collection during the financial year.

The buoyancy in the tax collection is largely driven by direct taxes with income tax mop-up showing 31% year-on-year growth and corporate taxes growing at 17.4%. Central GST collections at ₹4.68 lakh crore till October 2023, showed a growth of 13.3%.

On the spending front, the Central government's capital expenditure in the April-October 2023 period stood at ₹5.47 lakh crore against the full year target of ₹10 lakh crore.

This is also 33% higher than the year-ago period. Total expenditure of the government stood at ₹23.9 lakh crore, which is 53% of the budget target of ₹45 lakh crore.

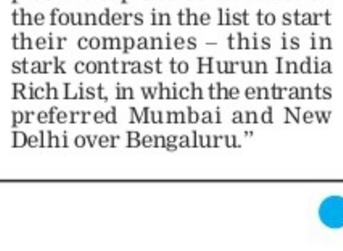
Meanwhile, the output of eight core sectors grew at 12.1% year-on-year in October 2023 from 9.2% in the previous month. The strong growth was led by coal, cement and electricity sectors which witnessed 18.4% 16-month high), 17.1% (two-month high) and 20.3% (17-month high) growth respectively in October 2023.

Hurun India list 2023: Bengaluru tops chart of self-made entrepreneurs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

BENGALURU secured the highest rank in Hurun India's Top 200 Self-made Entrepreneurs of the Millennia 2023 list.

A total of 129 self-made entrepreneurs are from the city, followed by Mumbai with 78 and Gurugram and New Delhi with 49 each.



Radhakishan Damani, founder of retail chain D-Mart, leads the list with a market capitalisation of ₹2.38 lakh crore. He is followed by founders of Flipkart Binny Bansal and Sachin Bansal with an equity value of ₹1.19 lakh crore.

IDFC FIRST Private Banking and Hurun India report released on Thursday reveals that 156 founders of 68 unicorns made it to the list.

Financial services and retail led the way with 46 and 30 companies in the list and 34% of the companies in the list have global operations.

Thirty-two of the founders were born in the 1990s, and 108 founders of 64 companies featured in the list are also featured in the Hurun India Rich List 2023.

Vikas Sharma, head-wealth management & private banking, IDFC FIRST Bank, said, "The list recognises first generation people who have created valuable enterprises across different industries. The list showcases the immense talent, innovation, and accomplishments of India's visionary founders, those who are propelling the nation's entrepreneurial ecosystem to new heights."

Eight of the top-10 most valuable companies founded in the millennium are start-ups. The list also features Zerodha, Razorpay, Patym and Zomato, among other companies. Mamaearth Ghazal Alagh and Winzo Saumya Singh Rathore are among the top 10 youngest women.

Anas Rahman Junaid MD and chief researcher at Hurun India, said, "The list demonstrates the vibrance of Indian entrepreneurship across age groups, gender, and geography. One-third of the list is aged under 40 and the eldest on the list is 80 years old. It is interesting to note that Bengaluru occupies the top choice for most of the founders in the list to start their companies – this is in stark contrast to Hurun India Rich List, in which the entrants preferred Mumbai and New Delhi over Bengaluru."

AVIATION

Go First's CEO Kaushik Khona puts in paper

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

KAUSHIK KHONA, CEO of grounded airline Go First, has put in his papers, nearly seven months after the no-frills airline suspended operations and went into insolvency proceedings.

In an e mail to the airline's employees on Thursday, Khona said that November 30 is his last day at the company.

Khona had returned to Go First in August 2020 as its CEO. "With a heavy heart, I have to inform that today is my last day with the company. I got an opportunity to work for Go FIRST once again in August 2020 and with your able and active support I tried to perform to my best abilities," Khona said in the e mail.

Earlier, he was with the carrier from 2008 to 2011.

"I just hope and pray that our prayers are heard and the company resumes. At least all employees are paid for pending salaries and dues. I have carried on and have tried my best to not only get salaries paid for all employees but also to resume the operations of the company but I have not been successful.

So far, Go First had at least five CEOs, including Khona. Others were Vinay Dube, Cornelis Vrieswijik, Wolfgang Prock-Schauer and Grogio De Roni.

-With PTI inputs

EXPRESS READ

Zyla Health raises $4 million in Series A

NEW DELHI: Gurgaon-based care management platform Zyla Health has raised $4 million in Series A round, led by Exfinity Venture Partners. The round also saw participation from Sony Innovation Fund, Venture Catalysts, and Aureolis led by Paula Mariwala. Prior to this round, Zyla Health had raised capital from leading institutional investors, Kae Capital, Secocha Ventures, Canara Bank Ventures and Seeders. *ENS*

Biocon integrates Viatris biosimilars biz

BENGALURU: Biocon Biologics, a subsidiary of Biocon, on Thursday announced the integration of the Viatris' biosimilars business in 31 European countries has been completed. In Europe, Biocon Biologics portfolio includes 7 biosimilars - Insulin Aspart and Insulin Glargine, Bevacizumab, Pegfilgrastim, Trastuzumab, among others. Biocon Biologics has a pipeline of 20 assets for diabetology, etc. *ENS*

Ultra-luxury home sales see 4-fold jump in 2023

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

THE ultra-luxury homes have witnessed high demand in the country this year.

So far in 2023, a total of 58 properties (priced over ₹40 crore) were sold across top 7 cities with a recorded sales value of ₹4,063 crore, as per the data provided by real estate consultant Anarock. In contrast, the whole of 2022 saw deals for 13 such homes for a total sales value of Rs 1,170 crore.

Mumbai alone sold 53 units which are priced above Rs 40 crore each. At least four such deals were closed in Delhi-NCR - two apartments in Gurgaon and two bungalows in New Delhi. Hyderabad witnessed one residential deal of Rs 40 crore at Jubilee Hills.

Within Mumbai, at least 3 deals in Mumbai closed for price tags above Rs 200 crore. At least two homes in Delhi-NCR were sold for above Rs 100 crore each.

DLF, India's biggest realtor and maker of some of the most expensive properties, said that there was a resurgence in demand in the ultra-luxury housing segment that has almost doubled in the past few years, primarily on account of the improvement in the financial position of reputable real estate players.

"Today Indian developers are delivering projects of international standards, attracting buyers not just from India, but overseas too. Within NCR, Gurugram, particularly has emerged as a preferred choice for luxury homebuyers, with a large presence of HNIs and UNHIs base and a significant rise in the number of affluent millennials in the region, who prefer to stay close to work and are willing to go the extra mile for their convenience and indulgent lifestyle," said Aakash Ohri, Joint Managing Director & Chief Business Officer, DLF.

Anuj Puri, Chairman, Anarock Group, said the rise in demand for ultra-luxury homes can be traced to the reshuffling of HNI investment portfolios amid anticipated volatility in the stock market due to geopolitical tensions. "Among wealthy Indians, there is a very distinct FOMO (fear of missing out) aspect to securing the most desirable options before someone else does," added Puri.

Most of the these homes were bought by businessmen, senior professionals, politicians and bollywood celebrities.

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Description of Immovable Property which is being sold:

Name of the Borrower:	**M/s. Arfa Meraj Trading Company**
Names of Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors:	**01. M/s.HKGN And Company, 02. Mr. Javeedulla Khan, 03. Smt. Shazia Sultana**
Outstanding Dues	**Rs.3,82,12,577.61** (Rupees Three Crore Eighty Two Lakhs Twelve Thousand and Five Hundred And Seventy Seven And Sixty One Paisa Only) as on 27/11/2023 together with further interest, costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 28/11/2023
Description of property	Apartment No.: B – 003, having a super built up area of 3500 Square Feet alongwith 20% undivided share in land i.e., 872.5 Square Feet and Car Parking in the basement floor in the building known as "Govianu Grace Garden" Katha PID No. 92/31/2 formed in Property No. 8, New No.2, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore owned by Mr. Javeedulla Khan and Smt. Shazia Sultana Vide Registered Sale Deed Bearing No: 4829 of 2017-2018.
Reserve Price below which the property will not be sold in Rs.	**Rs. 2,98,45,125.00**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**Rs. 2984512.50**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**NA**
Inspection of Properties	**11/12/2023.**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla - Mobile No: 9591103226 2) Shankar Balasubramanian - Mobile No: 8056178676 3) Vivek Arayakat - Mobile No: 9962229588**
Last date for submission of Bid:	**15/12/2023 till 4:00 PM**
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	**E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 16/12/2023 from 11.00 am to 1:00 pm.**

This publication is also a notice to the aforementioned borrower/guarantors under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule 2002.

For detailed terms & conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditors website i.e. **http://www.pegasus-arc.com/assets-to-auction.html** for detailed terms & conditions of e-auction/sale of respective property and other details before submitting their bids for taking part in the e-auction. Bidders may also visit the website **https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net or contact service provider M/s. E Procurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger, Bidder Support: 079-68136805/68136837 Mo.: +91 9265562821 & 9374519754, Email :vijay.shetty@auctiontiger.net, chintan.bhatt@auctiontiger.net @ support@auctiontiger.net.**

AUTHORISED OFFICER
Place: Bangalore
Date: 30/11/2023
Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited (Trustee of Pegasus Group Thirty Nine Trust 2)

TAMIL NADU CIVIL SUPPLIES CORPORATION
HEAD OFFICE, CHENNAI-10.

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

e-Tender Notice No.93/CED5/045006 /2023 dt.29.11.2023.

e-tenders are invited for the following works from the Registered contractors upto 2.00 P.M on 03.01.2024 and will be opened on 04.01.2024 at 2.30 P.M.

Sl.No	Name of work	E.M.D in Rs
1	Providing Semi Covered shed with Basic amenities of 33,000M.T capacity (11x3000M.T) at open cap storage at Survey No.182/1A, 182/2A, 301/1, 301/3, 302, 303/1, 304/2, 305/1A, 305/3, 306/2, 306/4 and 307/4M to an extent of 11.00.00 Hectare in Moovanallur Village in Mannargudi Taluk in Thiruvarur District.	9,98,000.00
2	Providing Semi Covered shed with Basic amenities of 13,500M.T capacity (3x3000M.T & 2x2250M.T) at open cap storage at Survey No.274/2B, 275/2, 301/4B2, 298/1 and 298/16 to an extent of 4.01.0 Hectare at Neelathanallur Village in Kumbakonam Taluk in Thanjavur District.	3,96,000.00
3	Providing Semi Covered shed with Basic amenities of 9000M.T capacity (3x3000M.T) at open cap storage at Survey No.214 to an extent of 1.30.0 Hectare at Kothangudi Village in Kumbakonam Taluk in Thanjavur District.	2,58,000.00
4	Providing Semi Covered shed with Basic amenities of 9500M.T capacity (2x3000M.T & 1x3500M.T) in TNCSC campus at Survey No.249/1, to an extent of 3.95.84 Hectares at D.Pudaiyur Village in Veppur Taluk in Cuddalore District.	4,41,000.00

Schedule Downloading from website by Free of Cost:- **From 04.12.2023 to 03.01.2024 up to 2.00 P.M.**
Date of Opening of Online tender :- **04.01.2024 at 2.30 P.M.**
For further details please visit website:- **www.tntenders.gov.in**
DIPR/6459/Tender/2023 **Managing Director**

TELANGANA STATE BOARD OF INTERMEDIATE EDUCATION
VIDYA BHAVAN, NAMPALLY, HYDERABAD

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Lr. Rc. No.02/PRO/e-Tender Notification-1/2023-24 **Date: 29.11.2023**

The Secretary, Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad desires to select a Printing Agency, Scanning Agency and Manufacturing Agency for the following tenders through e-procurement portal as detailed below:

Sl. No.	E-Tender File Rc. No. [E-tender No. allotted]	Particulars
01	**E-Tender No.483065.** 08/Exams-I/2023-24	Printing and supply of Pass Certificates (for General & Vocational streams) for IPE March 2024 & IPASE May/June 2024.
02	**E-Tender No.483067.** 28/Exams-I/2023-24	Printing and supply of Computer stationery with variable data (for General & Vocational streams) for IPE March 2024 & IPASE May/June 2024.
03	**E-Tender No.483056.** 29/Exams-I/OMR Scanning/2023-24	Scanning of OMR bar-coded sheets, Data capturing and processing for Mismatch through Intelligent Character Recognition (ICR technology) for IPE March 2024 & IPASE May/June 2024.
04	**E-Tender No.483055.** 318/Exams-II/2024	Scanning and Digitalization of Answer Scripts for Re-verification and Recounting for IPE March 2024 and IPASE May/June 2024.
05	**E-Tender No.483070.** 52/Admin-II/TS/2023-24	Supply of Covers for the year 2023-24.
06	**E-Tender No.483057.** 52/GNB/TS/D1/2023-24	Supply of HDPE Bags (size 26"x41") weight 120 Gms with Kesari Colour for the year 2023-24.
07	**E-Tender No.483061.** 29/D1/TS/2023-24	Printing of Camp material, Hand Book of Instructors, Scheme of Valuation for the year 2023-24.
08	**E-Tender No.483048.** 52/D1/TS/2023-24	Purchase of Stationery items & Computer Peripherals for the year 2023-24.
09	**E-Tender No.483074.** TSBIE-AND/47/2023-24	Printing & Supply of Stitched Answer books made from Map Litho White Printing Reel Paper (60 GSM - which must be produced using Virgin Pulp), OMR Barcoded Sheets with variable Data, Photo Attendance Sheets, Sealing Stickers and Answer Book Bundle Slips and Control Bundle along with Transportation of the Material for the year 2023-24.

Date of commencement of e-Tender(s): **01-12-2023 @ 11:00 A.M.** Date of Pre-Bid conference: **08-12-2023 @ 11:30 A.M.** Last date for submission of Bid(s): **16-12-2023 @ 3:00 P.M.** The Bidders willing to participate in this tender may visit e-procurement portal **https://tender.telangana.gov.in.**

DIPR R.O. No.8381-PP/CL/Advt/1/2023-24, Dt: 29/11/2023 Sd/- **Secretary, TSBIE**

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that, **Preethi B. S, W/o Renuka Prasanna C,** No.73, 3rd Cross, Venkateshwara Layout, Herohalli, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560091. has lost the Cheques of Bank of Baroda, No.119 /18, 80 feet Road, KHB Colony, Basaveshwara nagara, Bangalore-560079.and **cheques No.000037 and 000038, A/c No.74690100001845.** If any person/s finds the said Bank of Baroda Cheques, kindly inform the above stated person or contact No. mentioned below. If any person/s misuses the said Cheques, the same is not binding on my client and they shall do so at their own risk.

Praveen C.P, Advocate, Mob No.9845039577

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify General Public that the below said document has been misplaced/lost.

If, any person/s finds/holding the below said document is/are requested to return the same to the below stated address.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENT MISPLACED/LOST

1. Original Sale Deed dated 24.03.1997 executed by P. Satish Pai represented by his Attorney Holder Chatru M. Menda and M/s Raj trust represented by its authorized signatory Chatru M. Menda in favor of Rajnish Agarwal represented by his GPA holder Satish Reddy registered as Document No. 2919/96-97, Book I, Volume No.1683 Pages Nos. 65-71 in the office of Sub-registrar Devanahalli, Bangalore North.
2. The document was lost on 28.02.2023 while traveling at Bengaluru. In spite of best efforts, it could not be traced out.

Description of the property under the misplaced/lost original document

All that piece and parcel of site No. 121 bearing now new KS.No. 227/121 admeasuring 960.75 sq.mtrs (10,340 sq.ft.) formed in the private layout known as **'JADE GARDEN ANNEXE'** situated at Sadahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore North.

The report of the same has been lodged at the Bangalore City Police Station vide No. 0487044/2023 on 01.03.2023.

If found, kindly inform and return to NIKHILESH.S, No.27/1, 1st Main, Munihanumaiah Layout, R.M.V 2nd Stage, Lottegollahalli, Bengaluru-560094, Advocate for **RAJANISH AGARWAL**, S/o Late. Brijendra Kumar, aged about 60 years.

Mobile No. +91 9916950405

Place: Bengaluru Date: 01.12.2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that our client proposes to purchase the Schedule Property from its owner SMT. C. GEETHA.

Any person (s), having any manner of right, title, interest, claim etc., over the Schedule Property may lodge his /her /their / its objections or claims in writing with all supporting documentary evidence with regard to such claims with the undersigned within 07 days hereof, failing which, our client will proceed to complete the purchase transaction. Any objections/ claims received thereafter will not be entertained/binding on our client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property Residential Vacant bearing No.56/4, Katha No.56/4-102, situated at Bommanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, in totally measuring 1200 Square Feet, together with residential building thereon and presently within the Revenue limits of BBMP, Bangalore and bounded as follows, on the

East by : Property of Yelumali;
West by : Property of Balappa;
North by : Property allotted to the share of Sri. C. Naveen Kumar;
South by : Road;

H.K.GIRISH, ADVOCATE
M & G Associates
73, 27th Cross, 11th Main, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560 070.
Ph - 080-26632343 / +91 8886044666

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our Client intends to enter into a Joint Development Agreement in respect of residential vacant site No.4, formed in Sy.No.207, PID No. 5610/5560/176/261/4/207/2378, more fully described in the schedule here below with its owner Sri. Raghavendra T.S, Residing at No.08, Yellappa Street, Mavalli, Bengaluru - 560 004.

Any person asserting any right, title, interest or claim by way of inheritance, share, sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, tenancy, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, gift, devise, bequest, exchange, pre-emption, possession or encumbrance or otherwise in the Schedule Property or any part thereof or having any kind of claims thereon or having any kind of claim against the documents of title or objecting to entering JDA with the Owner by our client, should write to the undersigned within **Seven Days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to the Schedule Property or any part thereof, after which period our client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential vacant site bearing No.4, formed in Sy.No.207, PID No.5610/5560/176/261/4/207/4378, situated at Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently 5th Cross, 2nd Main, Adjacent to BEML 5th Stage, R.R.Nagar, now under the limits of BBMP, R.R. Nagar, Ward No.160, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 65 feet and North to South 40 feet totally measuring 2600 Sq.ft, bounded on: East by : Site No.07, West by : Road, North by : Site No.3, South by - Site No.5.

B.V. Krishna, Advocate
M/s. Law and Options, No.1432/2, 1st Floor, SNR Plaza, Opp: KASSIA, Toll- Gate, Vijayanagar, Bangalore - 560 040.
Mobile No.9448031064

MAHATRANSCO
Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

Second Call
SRM e-Tender No. MSETCL/CO/CEACI&P/1000VSAT/ T-01/2023-24. (RFx.No.7000028482)

The Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Ltd., Mumbai, has invited offers in TWO bid system (Techno- commercial and price bid) from the eligible bidders for the SRM e-Tender No. T-01 for the "Rate Contract for VSAT in extended C- Band along with 128/256 KBPS lease line connectivity from remote 1000 nos. MSETCL Substation to DC location at SLDC Kalwa & ALDC Ambazari under Rental model for five years period." The date of sale and submission for **SRM e-tender No. T-01 (RFx.No.7000028482)** is extended to **27.12.2023 at 23:59** Hrs and date of opening of technical bids is changed to **28.12.2023 at 11:00 Hrs.** The bidders are requested to check the details on our website **http://srmetender.mahatransco.in/.**

Chief Engineer (ACI&P)
C.O., MSETCL

TAMILNADU TEXTBOOK AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CORPORATION, CHENNAI-6.
"EVK Sampath Maaligal", No.68, College Road,, Chennai-600 006
Phone : 044-28275851, 044-28278244 Fax No: 044-28224493
E-mail : edptntbescvc@gmail.com

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Rc.No.11108/EDP/2023 **Date:01.12.2023**

1.	Name of the Work	1. Establishment of New Hi-Tech labs in Government Middle, High and Higher Secondary Schools under Samagra Shiksha, ICT & Digital Initiatives. 2. Establishment of New Smart Classes in Government Schools under Samagra Shiksha, ICT & Digital Initiatives.
2.	Pre Bid meeting date & time place: Tamil Nadu Text Book and Educational Services Corporation, Chennai – 6.	Hi-Tech Labs 12.12.2023 04.00 PM Smart Class rooms 12.12.2023 03.00 PM
3.	Last Date and Time for Submission of Tender:	02.01.2024 upto 4.00 P.M
4.	E-Tender opening time & date place Tamil Nadu Text Book and Educational Services Corporation, Chennai – 6.	Hi-Tech Labs 03.01.2024 04.00 PM Smart Class rooms 03.01.2024 03.00 PM
5.	Tender document can be downloaded at free of cost from the website:	a) http://www.textbookcorp.tn.gov.in b) http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in

DIPR/6465/TENDER/2023 **Managing Director, Tender Inviting Authority**

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION SALE

Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower, Co Borrower Guarantors and Mortgagors that the below described secured assets mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, being Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Pegasus Group Thirty Eight Trust- I (Pegasus), having being assigned the dues of the below mentioned borrower along with underlying securities, interest by L & T Finance vide Assignment Agreement dated 31/12/2020 under the provisions of SARFAESI Act,2002.

The Authorized officer of Pegasus has taken physical possession of the below mentioned mortgaged property on 23/05/2023 under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and SARFAESI Rules. In view of the aforesaid the below mentioned mortgaged property **will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 16/12/2023 for recovery of Rs.4,07,96,801.68 /- (Rupees Four Crores Seven Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred And On And Ninety Sixty Eight Paise Only) as on 14/11/2023** together with further interest, costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 15/11/2023 due to the Pegasus, from **Mr. Sumanth Ramanna (Borrower), Mrs. Harini Kumari KS (Co-Borrowers) and Mr. Munigorappa Ramanna (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor). The reserve price is as mentioned below.**

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS BEING SOLD:

Name of the Borrower:	**Mr. Sumanth Ramanna**
Names of Co-Borrowers / Guarantors/ Mortgagor:	**1. Mrs. Harini Kumari KS, 2. Mr. Munigorappa Ramanna**
Outstanding Dues	**Rs.4,07,96,801.68 /-** (Rupees Four Crores Seven Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred And On And Ninety Sixty Eight Paise Only) as on 14/11/2023 together with further interest, costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 15/11/2023
Description of Immovable Property:	Exclusive charge: Factory Premises with building and amenities Bearing Nos. 64, 65, 66, 67 & 68, Katha No. 54, Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560078, Area of the land is 9990 Square and **Bounded By: East:** Road, **West:** Private Property, **North:** Road, **South:** Private Property. Owned by Mr. Munigorappa Ramanna
Reserve Price	**Rs. 4,09,50,000.00/-**
Earnest Money Deposit	**Rs. 40,95,000.00/-**
Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit	**Details are mentioned in the table above**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**NA**
Inspection of Properties	**13/12/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla - Mobile No: 9591103226 2.) Shankar Balasubramanian - Mobile No: 8056178676 3.) Vivek Arayakat - Mobile No: 9962229588**
Last date for submission of Bid:	**15/12/2023 till 4:00 PM**
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	**E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 16/12/2023 from 11.00 am to 1:00 pm.**

This publication is also a 15 days' notice to the aforementioned Borrower/Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagors under Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule 2002.

For detailed terms & conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditors website i.e. **http://www.pegasus-arc.com/assets-to-auction.html** for detailed terms & conditions of e-auction/sale of respective property and other details before submitting their bids for taking part in the e-auction. Bidders may also visit the website https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net or contact service provider **M/s. E Procurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger, Bidder Support : 079-68136805/68136837 Mo.: +91 9265562821 & 9374519754, Email : vijay.shetty@auctiontiger.net, chintan.bhatt@auctiontiger.net @ support@auctiontiger.net.**

AUTHORISED OFFICER
Place: Bangalore
Date: 30/11/2023
Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited (Trustee of Pegasus Group Thirty Nine Trust I)

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.11,73,201/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Seventy Three Thousand Two Hundred and One only)** as on **26-11-2023** together with further interest to be charged from **27-11-2023** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Fortune Enterprises, No. 153, Nizami Chowk Cross, Ramanagaram, Karnataka - 562160. No.2) Mr. Syed Nissar Bokhari, S/o. Syed Nizam Uddin, No. 728/B, Salam Ulla Street, Channapatna, Ramanagaram - 562160. No.3) Mrs. Syeda Naheeda Anjum, W/o. Syed Nissar Bokhari, No.728/B, Salam Ulla Street, Channapatna, Ramanagaram - 562160. No.4) Mr. Syed Nizamuddin Bokari, S/o. Late M.B. Yusuf Miyya, No. 728, Ward No. 25, 2nd Main Road, Block 01, Nizami Chowk Cross, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District - 562160.**

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. Syed Nizamuddin Bokari, S/o. Late M.B. Yusuf Miyya)

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal Khata No. 849/728, PID No. 25 - 1 - 503 - 118A. Measuring : East to West (26 Feet) and North to South (30 Feet) Situated at Ward No. 24, Nizami Chowk Cross, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District. Bounded on : East by : House of Roshan Miyya Saheb, West by : 8 x 30 feet Common Passage, North by : House of Syed Isa, South by : Property of Syed Jalal.

Reserve Price : Rs.12,00,000/-
(Rupees Twelve Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
19-12-2023	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch,** B.M.Road,316 I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 571511. Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch, B.M.Road, 316 I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 571511. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 02.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **03.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee

Dominica pull out as 2024 T20 WC host

The Government of Dominica announced that they have taken a decision not to host any matches of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 due to the country's inability to meet implementation timelines. Since they realised that the upgrade of Windsor Park Sports Stadium and Benjamin's Park is not feasible in time, the government has decided not to commit to hosting the tournament.

Many questions, few answers

Test team seems settled but India's T20 squad, seven months before WC, looks uncertain

TEST SQUAD

Sharma (C), Gill, Jaiswal, Kohli, Iyer, Gaikwad, Kishan (wk), Rahul (wk), Ashwin, Jadeja, Thakur, Siraj, Mukesh, Shami*, Bumrah (VC), Prasidh.

ODI SQUAD

Gaikwad, Sai Sudharsan, Varma, Patidar, Rinku, Iyer, Rahul (C)(wk), Samson (wk), Axar, Washington, Kuldeep, Chahal, Mukesh, Avesh, Arshdeep Singh, Deepak.

T20I SQUAD

Jaiswal, Gill, Gaikwad, Varma, Yadav (C), Rinku, Iyer, Kishan (wk), Jitesh (wk), Jadeja (VC), Washington, Bishnoi, Kuldeep, Arshdeep, Siraj, Mukesh, Deepak.

* Pacer Shami's availability is subject to fitness.

* Sharma & Kohli requested break from the white-ball leg

INDIA A SQUAD

First four-day match: Sai Sudharsan, Easwaran*, Padikkal, Pradosh, Sarfaraz, Bharat (C)(wk), Jurel, Thakur, Narang, Saurabh, Manav, Prasidh, Akash, Kaverappa, Deshpande; **2nd four-day match:** Sai Sudharsan, Easwaran*, Gaikwad, Tilak, Bharat (C)(wk), Jurel (wk), Washington, Axar, Harshit, Kuldeep, Manav, Akash Deep, Kaverappa, Saini.

INTRA-SQUAD THREE-DAY MATCH

Sharma, Jaiswal, Gill, Easwaran*, Padikkal, Kohli, Iyer, Sarfaraz, Pradosh Ranjan, Bharat (wk), Jurel (wk), Kishan (wk), Jadeja, Ashwin, Narang, Harshit, Thakur, Saurabh, Manav, Prasidh, Akash Deep, Kaverappa, Bumrah, Siraj, Shami, Saini.

* Easwaran availability is subject to fitness.

Suryakumar Yadav (left) and KL Rahul will lead in T20Is and ODIs in South Africa

GOMESH S @Chennai

IN the last 12 months, the men's cricket have featured in three ICC events — one semifinal and two finals. After every event, the talks of transition had begun, slowly, but steadily. The top three — Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli and KL Rahul — have not taken part in T20Is since the last T20 WC. The likes of Yashasvi Jaiswal, Shreyas Iyer and Ishan Kishan have made it to the Test side. The transition in the ODIs should begin now.

However, as the BCCI announced the squads for the tour of South Africa on Thursday, there is little clarity on the way forward, especially in white-ball cricket. Sharma and Kohli have asked for a break in white-ball cricket as per the press release by the BCCI. KL Rahul will lead in ODIs for this assignment, with Suryakumar Yadav set to continue as T20I captain. As things stand, Sharma is still officially India's all-format captain despite not playing one format for over a year now. And in the absence of Hardik Pandya, who is still recovering from injury, there were speculations as to whether Sharma would come back and lead the team in the shortest format. The murmurs continued that he would even on Thursday.

While the BCCI has stuck to what they have been doing and picked a squad without the senior pros for the shortest format, there is no clarity as to whether Sharma would come back for the home T20Is against Afghanistan. The lack of answers — with just six T20Is to play for before the T20 World Cup in West Indies and USA — puts a cloud of uncertainty on the vision for the next global event. In fact, the situation was similar even in the ODI format until the Asia Cup where it all came together for India. Is SKY going to be the designated vice-captain to Hardik who has been leading India in T20Is since the loss against England in Adelaide? Are youngsters like Jaiswal and Ruturaj Gaikwad assured of their spots or will they have to make way eventually if Sharma and Kohli are picked again? What also makes it more complicated is that the T20 WC is being played immediately after the 2024 Indian Premier League. How much could change based on who performs there is yet to be seen.

As for ODIs, India do not have to play the 50-over format until July after this South Africa tour. Which means, Sharma and Kohli could well be back for the tour of Sri Lanka by then. This assignment, where Rahul is captaining, could be a stop-gap arrangement but there are some selections to be excited about — Gaikwad, Rinku Singh, B Sai Sudharsan and the comeback of Sanju Samson. Will they get a chance and whether they will cement their place in the squad would be interesting to see. The other intriguing thing, perhaps the most, is the statement of head coach Rahul Dravid a day after BCCI annoucing his extension. When asked about his extension, he said that he has not signed the papers yet. "I haven't yet signed a contract with the BCCI but had discussions on tenure. Once I get the papers, I will sign," Dravid told reporters in New Delhi.

The one format, where it seems, things are going steady is Tests. The team picks itself with all senior pros returning to the side. There is no surprises in the squad. No Cheteshwar Pujara, no Ajinkya Rahane, who made a comeback in place of Iyer and was the vice-captain in West Indies. Shubman Gill is expected to continue his journey as a Test No. 3 with Jaiswal partnering Sharma at the top. In fact, it is clear that Rahul would don the gloves if he plays with Kishan as backup. Jasprit Bumrah is the vice-captain and the only matter of concern is Mohammed Shami's availability which is subject to fitness.

While interesting times are ahead for India in white-ball cricket, this series' most important contest lies in the longest format. Having come close in their last tour to the rainbow nation, this is perhaps India's best chance at winning a Test series for the first time in the country. And they want to leave no stone unturned as the senior players would be flying in early to take part in the intra-squad three-day game which will happen in the middle of a A-team red-ball series. Will they be able to? Only time will tell.

POINTS TO PONDER

2 white-ball skippers going forward?

THE official skipper in both white-ball formats is Rohit Sharma. Now, Suryakumar Yadav and KL Rahul have been handed the responsibilities. Short-term? Long-term? Answers, as always, are in short supply.

End of the white-ball road for Kohli & Rohit?

WITH a T20 World Cup in under eight months, it's egregious the BCCI are yet to come out with an official statement on the futures of these two giants. Will they be allowed to skip this format only to rock up when the World Cup begins? Again, nobody knows.

Pujara? Rahane? Are they done?

THE one answer the BCCI have answered — without answering — is this. The Test team has a settled look to it with Rohit, Jaiswal, Gill and Shreyas probably making the top five. But never rule out Pujara and/or Rahane to make a comeback.

Uganda players celebrate after qualifying for the 2024 T20 World Cup scheduled in West Indies and USA | UCA TWITTER

Uganda keeps date with history

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

IN the early 1970s, a plan to host a men's 60-over World Cup was mooted. This was rubber-stamped in 1973. "A scheme to stage a World Cup (60 overs a side) in England during 1975 was approved," begins a paragraph on the ICC's website. "East Africa and Sri Lanka were invited to take part, as well as the six Test playing nations."

Of course, East Africa was an umbrella term for several countries coming together as one for the purposes of playing the game. When they came together as one in England, they comprised players from Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia and Uganda. While the squad was dominated by Kenyans, according to the book 'Second XI: Cricket In Its Outposts', two Ugandans had made the squad. Sam Walusimbi and John Nagenda.

Since that maiden sojourn by a group of players, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Kenya and, most recently, Namibia, have featured in a men's ICC event. At Windhoek on Thursday, Uganda, one of the OGs, ensured they will become the fifth.

They needed a win against Rwanda to get through at Zimbabwe's expense and they achieved that with minimal fuss. Chasing 66, they won with nine wickets and 71 balls to spare. It was poetic that Simon Ssesazi hit the winning run, clipping a ball to square leg for a single. At Windhoek over the last week, the opener has been one of the most consistent batters with 130 runs at an average of 32.5.

When the Africa qualifier began in Windhoek, Namibia's capital, few even recognised Uganda's potential. But not the interim head coach, Jackson Ogwang. "The team is ready to make Uganda proud," he had said in a press release issued by Uganda Cricket days before the meet. "We have been preparing for this event for the last three years and we are certain something has to finally give. The focus might be on getting one over either Zimbabwe and Namibia but as a team, every game is important and therefore the intensity we play with Zimbabwe is the same energy we bring for Rwanda. We aim to take care of business and fate will decide the rest but if we play to our potential, we shall be at the World Cup."

Having made a name for themselves as a solid Associate over the last few years (they, like Zimbabwe and Namibia, didn't need to take part in the pre-qualifier to feature at this event), that sort of confidence may have been misplaced. That looked to be the case after a six-wicket defeat at the hands of the hosts. Up next, their third match, was Zimbabwe.

They were in business as they hunted down a middling 139 to send Kampala, their capital, into delirium. It was noteworthy that it was Riazat Ali Shah who helped them home with a 28-ball 42 apart from Dinesh Nakrani's 3/14. After moving to Kampala as a teen, he has continued to blossom. In 2018, he played a big role in helping them win promotion to the next tier. Since then, he has also added power hitting to his arsenal. "... the hard long hours under the tutelage of Steve Tikolo has helped transform him from the 16-year-old who stepped on the Lugogo Cricket Oval four years ago with potential to one of the budding Associate cricketers," Uganda cricket wrote on their website in 2018. Five years later, that prophecy is true.

The reward for their hard work is when they will board the flight from Kampala to the Caribbean and the US in a little over seven months for the T20 World Cup.

THE 20 TEAMS WHO WILL BE IN ACTION

TOP 8 FROM THE 2022 EVENT: AUSTRALIA, ENGLAND, INDIA, NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, PAKISTAN, SOUTH AFRICA, SRI LANKA

Based on rankings: Afghanistan, Bangladesh

REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

● **Asia:** Nepal, Oman ● **Africa:** Namibia, Uganda ● **Americas:** Canada ● **East Asia Pacific:** Papua New Guinea ● **Europe:** Ireland, Scotland ● **Hosts:** West Indies, USA.

UGANDA FACTS

● This is the first time that the African nation has qualified to feature at an ICC event

● They were part of the East Africa squad at the 1975 60-over World Cup

● It's the fifth African country to qualify for an ICC event

UGANDA'S ROAD TO HISTORY AT AFRICA QUALIFIER

● **bt** Tanzania by 8 wkts ● **lost to** Namibia by 6 wkts ● **bt** Zimbabwe by 5 wkts ● **bt** Nigeria by 9 wkts ● **bt** Kenya by 33 runs ● **bt** Rwanda by 9 wkts

Arsenal, Madrid march on

On another wild Champions League night, Manchester United contrived to draw while Arsenal and Real will advance to the last 16 as group winners. A look...

ARSENAL, REAL TURN ON STYLE

The Londoners have been playing with the handbrake on all season. They yanked it on Wednesday, scoring five goals in a first half that showed the side's potential. Real Madrid also had their moments as they finished on the right side of a five-goal thriller against Napoli.

Jude Bellingham

ONANA'S ERRORS COST UNITED

Man United took the lead twice and looked to have sealed a win at Galatasaray. But keeper Andre Onana's howlers gifted the Turkish side a point in a wild game which ended 3-3. This means the PL side now have to beat Bayern Munich whilst hoping for a draw in the group's other game.

Group A: Galatasaray 3-3 Manchester United, Bayern Munich 0-0 FC Copenhagen

Group B: Sevilla 2-3 PSV Eindhoven, Arsenal 6-0 Lens

Group C: Real Madrid 4-2 Napoli, Sporting Braga 1-1 Union Berlin

Group D: Benfica 3-3 Inter Milan, Real Sociedad 0-0 Salzburg

Panghal, Thapa sail into semis

AGENCIES @Shillong

WORLD Championships runner-up Amit Panghal (51kg) and 2021 Asian Champion Sanjeet (92kg) continued their impressive run as 12 SSCB boxers secured semifinal spots at the Men's National Boxing Championships here on Thursday. Six-time Asian Championships medallist Shiva Thapa, representing Assam, also progressed to the last-four stage.

Panghal dominated the proceedings throughout and ultimately won the bout comfortably in a unanimous decision against Mohammad Aarif of Jammu and Kashmir.

ANOTHER CHANCE FOR INDIA TO SEAL SERIES

The Men in Blue ran into a Glenn Maxwell-shaped tornado on Tuesday. Can the hosts use their second chance to win the series? A look at the fourth T20I...

PRASIDH'S FORM CAUSE FOR CONCERN

He will be relieved to know that Maxwell has left the country. But even in the larger picture, **Prasidh Krishna's** has been off radar. He's going at over 13 this series, not a good look for a bowler touted to be the next cab off the rank, even if the conditions have been loaded in favour of the batting team.

NEW LOOK AUSTRALIA

It's possible that the one taking the field in Raipur on Friday will have as many as 10 players who didn't feature at the World Cup (Travis Head has stayed back). Even then, they can be a combative unit, with the likes of Nathan Ellis capable of producing the goods.

India vs Australia, Raipur | **Live on Sport18 and Jio Cinema from 7 PM**

EXPRESS READ

Shanto ton puts B'desh in driver's seat

SYLHET: Najmul Hossain Shanto became the first Bangladeshi cricketer to hit a century on his debut as captain as the hosts tightened their grip on the first Test against New Zealand here on Thursday. Shanto's 104 helped Bangladesh extend their lead to 205 runs by reaching 212/3 at stumps on Day 3. **Brief scores:** Bangladesh 310 and 212/3 in 68 ovs (Shanto 104 batting, Rahim 43 batting) vs New Zealand 317 in 101.5 ovs (Southee 35, Taijul 4/109, Mominul 3/4).

Priyanshu in last eight of Syed Modi meet

LUCKNOW: Priyanshu Rajawat was the lone Indian shuttler to qualify for the quarterfinals in men's singles, while Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand made the cut in women's doubles at the Syed Modi International badminton tournament. Priyanshu, who won the Orleans Masters this year, emerged victorious after compatriot Sathish Karunakaran retired while lagging 18-21, 6-11 in the second round match.

'Players approached for manipulation'

NEW DELHI: The All India Football Federation (AIFF) on Thursday revealed that several I-League players were recently approached for "match manipulation" and promised to investigate the matter. AIFF President Kalyan Chaubey did not elaborate on how they received the information, which players were approached and who contacted them but insisted that the federation is committed to save the integrity of the game.

CUSTODIAN

Keeping simple helped me remain calm in penalties: Goalkeeper Pathak

KALYANI MANGALE @Chennai

THE winner of the 13th Hockey India senior men's national championship was decided after a penalty shootout that lasted almost 30 minutes after the regulation timeof the final between Punjab and Haryana ended in 2-2. Krishan Pathak, goalkeeper of India and Punjab made a difference by saving four attempts as Punjab won the title against defending champions Haryana. He interacted with the media after the presentation ceremony at the Mayor Radhakrishnan Hockey Stadium. Excerpts:

On the penalty shootout

I wanted to keep it simple. Honestly, I was not expecting it to go to the shootout the way our quarterfinal and semifinal went. I think that is why I was mentally a little behind when I had to prepare for it immediately. I was trying to remain calm throughout the shootout and remind myself of the basics of the shootout. After a long match and humidity, my body was not completely reacting the way I wanted it to be, but I am glad we got over the line. Normally, I just go through my breathing routines and try to keep myself calm. If you think a lot, you get distracted. I just wanted to set myself first. It took me some time to get that momentum going.

Goalkeeper Krishan Pathak saved four attempts as Punjab beat holders Haryana in shoot-out in the final of senior men's national championships | D SAMPATHKUMAR

On playing for Punjab

When we were told that we would play nationals for our state teams, all of us were happy that we got this opportunity. The availability of international players, especially for Punjab made it even more special. Some of the players unfortunately couldn't play for Punjab because of injuries, but most of our team is made up of internationals. We got this opportunity after a long time, so we just wanted to enjoy it. So when we were coming to Chennai, we wanted to win the trophy and take home the gold medal.

On the senior nationals

Even when we got a break from the national camp, I was participating in the domestic competitions. Winning in those tournaments also helps you boost your confidence, so the nationals were important that way for us. And if you look at the whole tournament, we played really well and that is something we can take a lot of confidence from. And every player who played in this tournament, no matter what team they played for, will get that boost going into the national camp.

On Paris 2024 Games

It's getting close, isn't it? When our new coach (Craig Fulton) came in, he gave us the target to win the gold medal in the Asian Games and win the quota. And when we are going to Paris, we are going with the aim to better the result from Tokyo Olympic 2020. We will go through the Five Nations tournament and FIH Pro League before the Olympics, which will give us the chance to work on our weaknesses, but the aim is to win a gold medal in Paris.

BENGALURU TECH SUMMIT

OF GEN AI, DEEPFAKE & CYBERSECURITY

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

THIS year's Bengaluru Tech Summit, Asia's largest tech event, featured various emerging technologies including machine learning, generative artificial intelligence, spacetech, animation, deepfake technology, and conversational AI.

In the highly interactive tech-related sessions, held between November 29 and December 1, experts discussed the advantages, challenges, and the future of these evolving technologies.

Some experts predicted that within the next two years, consumers will be interacting with avatars, who will answer all their queries.

In this case, the challenge will be to find out how people react to the radical change. "Gen AI and other advancements are going to be building blocks of metaverse. Customer experience is going to change and we will be interacting with brands through voice, text and other natural channels," said Ganesh Gopalan, CEO and co-founder of Gnani.ai, a voice-first conversational AI company. It has been exactly a year since OpenAI launched ChatGPT, and experts at the summit said this is just the beginning of language models as they will be available on your phones in future.

On display aerospace technology at Bengaluru Tech Summit | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

The panellists also discussed AI-generated synthetic audio, video content and how these synthetic media are posing risks. They called for community guidelines and ways to detect fake content. Deepfake videos or photos are created using multiple tools including faceapp, video portraits and so on. Key topics discussed at the summit included cybersecurity, 5G adoption and future wireless technologies.

The spotlight was on 6G and opportunities ahead. Visitors also got a peek into Chandrayaan-3 experience as the tech summit showcased the country's significant presence in space exploration.

A session on women in the space industry explored the need for more grassroot level outreach programmes, so that they could encourage young girls to take up science and enter the space industry.

The summit showcased 35 innovative products and solutions developed by start-ups.

These included electronic devices integrating AI and Internet of Things, advancements in automotive manufacturing, innovations in footwear and accessories, technologies in avionics & defence, effluent air treatment solutions, apps to prevent fraudulent transactions, fabric authentication tools, animations & comics, and deep tech-based platforms for quality assessment.

Chennai-based Polymatech Electronics eyes niche opto-semiconductor market

VAITHEESWARAN B @ Chennai

CHENNAI-BASED Polymatech Electronics Limited, which calls itself India's first semiconductor chips manufacturer, is on an expansion drive. The company, which currently manufactures 27 different chips for large-scale lighting uses including automobile lighting, and medical and horticulture applications, plans to make chips for light fidelity (LiFi) devices. LiFi is a wireless communication technology that utilises light to transmit data and position between devices.

Polymatech has ambitious plans for data centres, and 5G and 6G applications, and hopes to become a fully integrated semiconductor device manufacturer by 2025 with its own fabrication unit.

At present, the firm is involved in opto-semiconductor processing and assembly. These semiconductors convert electric signals to photons and are used in LEDs, laser diodes and fiber optic communications, among other areas.

The company now produces 4-inch diametre wafers for lighting and consumer electronics applications.

It does laser cutting, surface grinding, etching, packaging and assembly from its facility at Oragadam near Chennai.

Eswara Rao Nandam, Managing Director of Polymatech

For its expansion plan, the company expects a total capital expenditure of ₹8,000 crore, said Eswara Rao Nandam, managing director. This, he said, will be met with public issue (it has filed DRHP for ₹750 crore IPO), internal accruals and debt. "We expect ₹13,500 crore in revenue and ₹3,500 crore profit," he said, adding that the profit margin in the sector is very high.

Notably, the company uses diamond and sapphire substrates for its semiconductors against the conventional use of silicons. Sapphire has faster heat dissipation and, therefore, offers faster data transmission. It has demonstrated lab-grown sapphires and plans to kickstart commercial production by the end of next year. Out of its installed capacity of 300 millions chips, Polymatech churns out 250 million chips a year.

The firm now plans to ramp up its capacity to 2 billion chips and eventually to 10 billion chips per annum. "If we enter the high value-added products category, low value-added products will be dropped," said Eswara Rao. Polymatech has imported all equipment from Japan and employs Japanese and Finnish workers.

Currently, the company is in the process of opening another facility at Krishnagiri district in Tamil Nadu, which will act as the assembly and testing facility.

Interestingly, Polymatech has not opted for the Centre's production linked incentives available for semiconductor manufacturing or the state government's special capital subsidy. Eswara Rao claims he doesn't need public money, adding that he doesn't want to put so much effort to get that. Instead, he says, he would rather focus on his work 100%.

Pure//E Family: Benefits of all-flash. Better economics than disk
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Ajeya Motaganahalli, VP of Engineering & MD, Pure Storage India

No more hard disks in 2028

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

IN another five years, hard disks may be a thing of the past as they are likely to be replaced by high-capacity flash drives, which consume less power.

Flash devices offer much cleaner data centres, says Ajeya Motaganahalli, vice-president of engineering & managing director, Pure Storage India. According to him, the manufacturing of hard drives may continue for a maximum of five more years, by which time flash drives will rule the roost. Currently, flash storage costs are in the range of $0.20 per gigabyte.

This will significantly come down as usage increases, says Motaganahalli. He notes that globally, data centres consume 2-3% of all energy produced. And storage accounts for half of that. As a flash technology provider, Pure Storage predicts AI and sustainability will drive changes in technology adoption in 2024. Also, going forward, IT departments will be increasingly asked to play a bigger role in meeting corporate sustainability goals. One area where IT will have immediate impact is the standardisation of software. Some estimates indicate that 90% of energy is wasted on inefficient software. "Three key factors that are going to affect technology adoption in India in 2024 are financial inclusion, data centre modernisation and India's commitment to the Paris Convention. AI adoption is also going to be a driving force," says Ramanujam Komanduri, country manager, India, Pure Storage. Komanduri says the industry has to ensure reduction of e-waste. "How do I ensure that my tech is always modern? As a technology provider, you want to ensure that your customers get access to the latest technology. Otherwise, you would not be in business.

Ramanujam Komanduri, Country Manager, India, Pure Storage

If you're talking about machine learning, artificial intelligence, or making business decisions based on real-time AI, then you need massive infrastructure. The industry has to really ask and look into these aspects including energy," he adds. According to a recent survey by the company, the need for computing power has gone up dramatically for nearly 90% of those who have adopted AI. Also, nearly 50% of the respondents said they had to double their computing power after adopting AI.

Samsung Galaxy S23 FE: good camera, strong battery

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

Samsung launched the 'fan edition' (FE) of the Galaxy S23 in October 2023, just before the commencement of the festive season.

The purpose of the launch was to provide customers with an option to enjoy premium features at an affordable price.

Priced at ₹59,999, the Samsung Galaxy S23 FE has every feature that will attract a consumer. We used the device for over a month, and here's what we found: First off, we liked the design of the model.

The camera performance was pretty good. After using it for more than four weeks, we can confidently say the battery backup is decent. The only thing that put us off was the slow charging speed.

Phone's features

In terms of design, the Galaxy S23 FE closely resembles its predecessor Galaxy S21 FE. Take it in your hands and you can feel the premium touch.

The model is equipped with Gorilla Glass 5 and carries an IP68 rating, providing water and dust resistance. Moving on to the display, the Galaxy S23 FE boasts of a dynamic AMOLED 2X display with a 120Hz refresh rate and HDR10+ support.

The phone features a 6.4-inch screen with a resolution of 1080x2340 pixels, offering a fantastic viewing experience.

One is unlikely to face any problems while using the phone in various lighting conditions.

The Galaxy S23 FE is powered by the Exynos 2200 chipset and runs on Android 13, featuring Samsung's One UI 5.1 overlay. The device offers 128GB of storage and 8GB of RAM.

With these robust specifications, the phone performs flawlessly. Throughout our usage, which included various tasks such as opening multiple apps or playing games, we didn't notice any lags or heating issues.

Camera and battery

In the camera department, the Galaxy S23 FE shines with its rich features.

The device has a triple-rear camera setup, comprising a primary 50-megapixel camera, an 8-megapixel telephoto camera, and a 12-megapixel ultra-wide camera. The pictures we clicked were of exceptional quality. In daylight photography, the colour accuracy is noteworthy. Even in low-light conditions, the results were satisfactory, especially when the night mode was activated. The selfie camera on the Galaxy S23 FE features a 10MP sensor.

Powering the Galaxy S23 FE is a 4,500mAh battery, capable of lasting the entire day with moderate usage. Strangely, the phone doesn't come with a charger in the box, requiring users to purchase one separately. The phone takes two hours to charge fully. Samsung should aim to improve this aspect in the next edition, ideally reducing the charging time to around one hour.

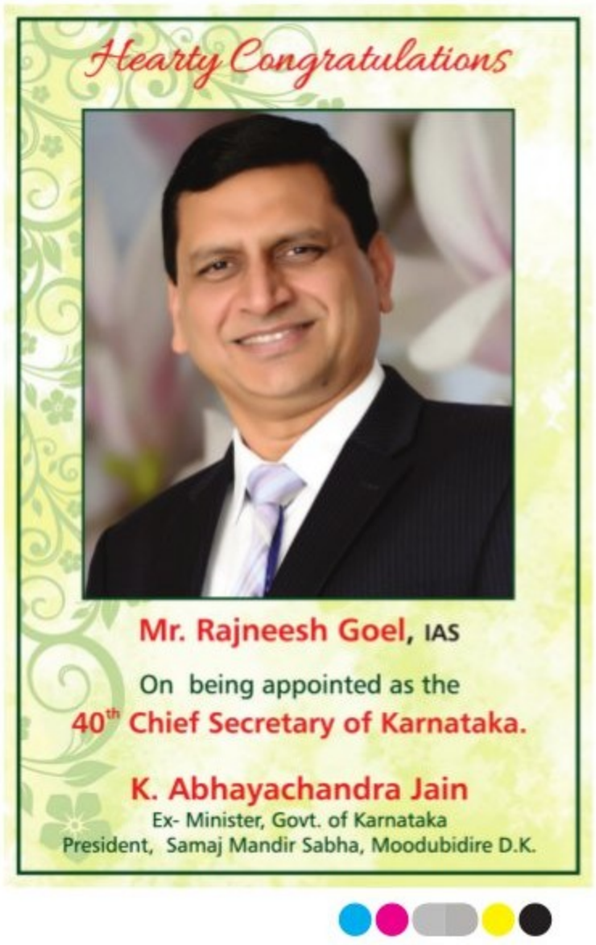
TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

AMAZON LAUNCHES Q, A BUSINESS CHATBOT POWERED BY GENERATIVE AI

Amazon finally has its answer to ChatGPT. The tech giant said Tuesday it will launch Q — a business chatbot powered by generative artificial intelligence. The announcement, made in Las Vegas at an annual conference the company hosts for its AWS cloud computing service, represents Amazon's response to rivals who've rolled out chatbots that have captured the public's attention. San Francisco startup OpenAI's release of ChatGPT a year ago sparked a surge of public and business interest in generative AI tools that can spit out emails, marketing pitches, essays, and other passages of text that resemble the work of humans. That attention initially gave an advantage to OpenAI's chief partner and financial backer, Microsoft, which has rights to the underlying technology behind ChatGPT and has used it to build its own generative AI tools known as Copilot. But it also spurred competitors like Google to launch their own versions.

NASA, IBM BUILD AI FOUNDATION MODEL FOR WEATHER PREDICTIONS

IBM said available AI emulators can make weather predictions based on sets of training data, but they don't have applications beyond that. Nor can they encode the physics at the core of weather forecasting, it says. The company plans its AI model through the creation, training, fine-tuning and open-sourcing of foundation models. These models that can be used for different tasks and apply information from one situation to another and designed for domains beyond natural language. IBM said models which are trained on geospatial information such as satellite images, present a unique opportunity to address climate change. Unlike traditional AI models tailored for specialised tasks, geospatial foundation models – with satellite and weather data – create knowledge representations from petabytes and exabytes of climate-relevant data that can facilitate accelerated and streamlined discovery of environmental insights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